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By JACK MAURICE
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IS. — Egyptian President An- Sadat accused Palestinian ter- s of trying to sabotage his coming visit to France as the France airliner which had flown to Iraq returned yesterday to airport, the scene of the 18- drama.

Egyptian leader, who is due next Monday on a two-day told "Le Monde": Let them o the devil. I don't want to another word about these self- d freedom fighters."

erviewed in Aswan, as the get- aircraft asked for permission nd in Egypt on its way to Sadat exclaimed "No no no." n't want them in my country. he past I granted asylum to mber of groups of terrorists, that's all over now. They are inals. They are behaving against interests of the Palestinian tance.

he Orly attack is also directed nst me. Within a few days of visit to France, they are trying abotage the good relations be- n Paris and the Arab world."

e French police are convinced accomplices of the gang which ed the two attacks at Orly are at large in Paris and could be aring for a new spectacular ation during President Sadat's

assenger traffic was resumed erday at the South Orly ter- al but the sight-seeing terraces looking the airport from which terror gang staged two abor- attacks on El Al aircraft in days were indefinitely closed to ors. Interior Minister Michel latowski ordered the closure of open-air concourse, where 00 visitors enjoy plane-spotting y Sunday, after he personally ected the area.

he French police are reported have discovered two big suit- es packed with grenades of the e type used at Orly at a Paris way station. The suitcases are eved to have been left in lug- e lockers by members of the anese Red Army who, since the orious raid at Ben-Gurion air- t in 1972 have worked hand in ve with the Palestinians.

senior police official said: "We estimate that 10 men were involved in the operation at Orly in addition to the terror gang. Some of them were at the airport terminal, others in the car park. It was reported that two of these men were arrested. Unfortunately, this was an error. We have not found the accomplices."

The threat to wreck President Sadat's visit to Paris grew more precise last night when the Paris bureau of Reuter's news agency received a phoned warning of a new terror strike.

A man identifying himself as a member of the Mohammed Boudia group, which has already claimed responsibility for the two attacks at Orly, said: "Don't ask me where or when, but we shall strike again. Israel has struck in southern Lebanon and we shall make her pay dearly for this. No protective measures in public places will stop us."

The caller who appeared to be the same man who phoned the news agency after the two Orly attacks, said his gang was seeking the release of Archbishop Capucci, now serving a jail term in Israel for smuggling arms for the Fatah.

French newspapers continued to voice indignation at the ease with which Arab killer groups are operat-

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Flanked by flight officials, French Interior Minister Michel Poniatowski fastens seat belt as he boards helicopter yesterday to inspect new security arrangements at Orly airport. (AP radiophoto)

Eilts takes U.S. moves to Sadat

By ANAN SAFADI
POST Middle East Affairs Correspondent

U.S. AMBASSADOR to Cairo Hermann Eilts yesterday flew to the southern Egyptian winter resort city of Aswan to report to President Anwar Sadat on the talks which American leaders held last week in Washington with Foreign Minister Yigal Allon.

Eilts was also expected to deliver messages from U.S. President Gerald Ford and Secretary of State Henry Kissinger to Sadat. The messages reportedly dealt with Sadat's projected visit to the U.S. and the latest American Middle East peace-making efforts, according to diplomatic sources.

The U.S. Ambassador made the trip to Aswan shortly after his arrival in Cairo, following week-long consultations in Washington. He was summoned to Washington last week to be on hand for Allon's talks on the prospects for a further settlement in Sinai.

Eilts reportedly had no specifics on future moves. Usually well-informed sources said the Ambassador's mission in Aswan would be to sound out Sadat's readiness to enter immediate negotiations with Israel over a new accord in Sinai.

Until now, the Egyptian position regarding Sinai negotiations has been to insist that future moves must also include the Syrian and Jordanian fronts.

Nevertheless, there has not been any outright rejection of offers for an interim settlement in Sinai, and President Sadat has kept in close touch with Dr. Kissinger regarding the situation. The latest dispatches from Washington indicated that Kissinger would visit the Middle East in the second week of February, after Sadat's scheduled visits to France and Jordan.

Kissinger's projected trip would signal a go-ahead for further Egyptian-Israeli negotiations, which may take place at the United Nations Emergency Force's Post 512, in the northern sector of the buffer zone now separating Egyptian and Israeli troops east of the Suez Canal.

Observers yesterday said Kissinger's efforts for a new Sinai accord depended on three factors: Egypt's manoeuvrability regarding a separate settlement with Israel independent of Syria; the scope of Israeli withdrawal, mainly in relation to the strategic Gidei and Mitla passes

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'ARMS SALES TO BOTH SIDES'

Ford again warns of war threat in M-E

Egypt said getting Soviet arms

By WOLF BLITZER
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON. — President Ford warned again yesterday that the possibility of another war erupting in the Middle East remains "very serious," but he none the less attempted to justify U.S. arms sales to both sides.

In response to a question at a White House press conference, Ford said that the U.S. was currently employing and expanding all "diplomatic efforts with Israel and several Arab states" in order to avoid another round of war.

The President declared, however, that U.S. arms shipments — presumably to some Arab states such as Saudi Arabia, Jordan, Lebanon, Oman and others — were needed "to maintain a certain degree of capability of all sides." He added that these states were in need of U.S. weapons for internal security reasons.

"To maintain the equilibrium of arms capabilities of one nation against the others, we are supplying some arms to nations in the region," he said.

Meanwhile, informed sources in Washington confirmed reports that the Soviet Union was resuming more massive arms shipments to Egypt.

The sources told *The Jerusalem Post* that specific details of the deliveries are still being assembled, but the sources speculated that the Soviet Union was beginning the shipments, presumably to disturb the current U.S. peace initiative.

Officials here had warned last week when the Soviet Union rejected the U.S.-Soviet trade agreement that the Kremlin may attempt to scuttle Secretary of State Kissinger's step-by-step mediatory approach in favour of the immediate reconvening of the Geneva Middle East peace conference, where the Soviets are co-chairmen with the U.S.

State Department officials said yesterday that they had no information to report to newsmen about the resumption of Soviet arms to Egypt. But they hinted that some bigger deal was brewing, by pointing out that even though Sadat had complained in a recent interview about the rate of Soviet arms supplies to Egypt since the war, he did say that some arms were indeed being supplied.

Sources here said yesterday that the arms were beginning to arrive in Egypt only within the last few days. The same sources had denied a report a fortnight ago by syndicated columnists Rowland Evans and Robert Novak that Egypt had worked out a secret arms deal with the Soviet Union late last year.

"The Evans and Novak report was wrong then," the sources said. "But since then, the arms deal has materialized."

On other issues at the press conference, Ford said:

- Another Arab oil embargo, similar to the one in 1973, would not lead to U.S. military force against the oil producers. Asked if the U.S. would use military force in response to another oil embargo, Ford replied: "Certainly none comparable to the one in 1973."
- Secretary of State Kissinger was justified in warning that the U.S. would use military force if the oil producing countries were strangling the West. "I fully endorse that answer," Ford said. "If a country is being strangled, it has the right to protect itself against death."
- The U.S. will continue to broaden and expand U.S.-Soviet detente because it is "in our interest and in the interest of the Soviet Union." He said that he was "disappointed" that the U.S.-Soviet trade agreement had been cancelled, but he declined to speculate what precipitated the Soviet Union to do it. Ford once again indicated that Congress was to blame for it by inserting the freedom of emigration amendment to the trade bill and for limiting the amount of U.S. Government backed credits in the Export-Import Bank act to $300m. over four years to the Soviet Union.

Peres: Soviets still giving Egypt weapons

By SARAH HONIG
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Defence Minister Shimon Peres said yesterday that the Russians are continuing to supply the Egyptians with arms.

Israel "has its eyes wide open, and we are well aware of all that goes on in the area. We know that the Russians are here," Mr. Peres told members of the Keren Hayesod — United Israel Appeal Prime Minister's International Mission, who are meeting here currently.

"We know that even Lenin's latest student, (Libyan leader Ma'ammar) Gaddafi, has concluded a huge arms deal with the Russians. Israel's basic orientation is never just to depend on lessons of past wars but to be well prepared for new challenges," a situation which calls for ever-present vigilance, Mr. Peres said.

The Defence Minister told his audience that in his view the Egyptians *are still not ready to consider* negotiations for a real and final peace, but are "willing to arrive at arrangements, which mean small-scale settlements to reduce tension, as distinguished from true peace negotiations.

Mr. Peres summed up Israel's present policy as threefold:

- Israel will have to remain strong, fortified and able to meet any menace.
- Israel is ready to lay foundations for a future peace by way of arrangements which would give the Egyptians time to reconcile themselves to the idea of peace.
- Israel is ready to open negotiations for a long-lasting peace at any time.

If a war "which we do not seek, will come, we will put on one of the greatest displays of strength in our history," Mr. Peres said.

In remarks published yesterday, Mr. Peres also said that Israel could carry a future war into the Arab heartland to repel the threat to its frontiers.

He made the statement in an interview appearing in "Shehakim," the newsletter of the Israel Aircraft Industries. Asked how Israel was to meet the challenge of 11 Arab armies, Peres said:

"What is the Israeli answer to this? Will we allow them to bring all this might to the borders of Israel to threaten us while their lands, their oil, their cities and airfields remain secure? Or should Israel say that he who threatens it will be subject to threat. Those who wish to concentrate their armies against us will be forced to deploy their armies in their own countries to defend their own."

Peres said the armies in question included those of "Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, Sudan, Libya and others."

ONLY 26 OF 202 HOUSES IN SHUBA HABITABLE

BEIRUT. — Only 26 out of the 202 houses in Shuba village, 1.6 kms. inside Lebanon from the Israel border, are now habitable, an official report here said yesterday.

The rest were either destroyed or badly damaged in the Israeli raids and shooting at this border area, it was added.

The report noted that all the village's 2,000 inhabitants have left and are now in Marj el Ayoun.

The figures about Shuba were contained in a complaint made to the UN yesterday by Lebanon, which accused Israel of terrorism and aggression in attacking Shuba. The letter of complaint, handed to Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim in New York, also said the Israelis "blew up the roads and a bridge leading to the village, as well as several irrigation canals."

In Sidon, local residents claimed that Israeli shelling yesterday damaged villages in southern Lebanon. The outskirts of Yarin, Dhaira, Zalloula, Marwahin and al-Bustan were shelled, they said.

Yesterday, President Suleiman Franjieh warned that evacuating the villages bordering Israel constituted a threat to Lebanese territory and endangered Syria. He was speaking to his ministers at the regular weekly Cabinet meeting. *(AFP, Reuter)*

Sadat 'ready' for peace treaty, thinks Israel preparing war

By JACK MAURICE
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

PARIS. — Egyptian President Anwar Sadat said in an interview published here yesterday he was ready to conclude a peace treaty with Israel, but was convinced the Israeli leadership was preparing for a preventive war.

President Sadat told "Le Monde" correspondents in Aswan that Egypt was ready to fight a new war in spite of the Soviet Union's refusal to deliver new weapons. This could lead him to repudiate the friendship treaty between the two countries.

Asked if he insisted on a simultaneous withdrawal of Israeli forces in the Sinai, the Golan Heights and the West Bank within three months, the Egyptian leader replied: "Yes, but I am ready in a pinch to accept a series of pull-backs. What matters to us is to maintain the momentum towards peace. We must *make haste. Otherwise the irreparable will happen."*

Sadat reaffirmed that Egypt's immediate minimum demands were the return of the Mitla and Gidi passes and the Abu Rodeis oil fields in Sinai. He was expecting an answer from Israel via Washington at any moment.

The Egyptian President added: "I have nothing to offer in exchange for the return of territory which is ours by right. We shall make concessions only in the framework of a package deal. In any event, these concessions must not damage either the integrity of our territory or our national sovereignty."

Sadat said the Israeli Government's behaviour would determine whether Egypt would allow free passage of merchant ships bound for Israel through the Suez Canal.

Sadat went on: "If the Israelis persist in wanting to keep the Golan, we will be heading willy-nilly for a new war."

He said he was convinced the U.S. would shortly recognize the Palestine Liberation Organization. Then it would be up to the U.S. and the Soviet Union to guarantee a Middle-East cease-fire and invite the PLO to the peace conference at Geneva, he added.

Israel, whose Knesset included Menahem Begin — "an ex-terrorist and proud of it" — must recognize the PLO as a reality, Sadat said.

On the rivalry between the PLO and Jordan's King Hussein, Sadat said it was up to Hussein and Arafat to agree on how they could work together. Sadat recalled he had repeatedly urged the PLO to set up a government-in-exile.

Referring to U.S. Secretary of State Kissinger as "Henry" throughout the interview, the Egyptian leader described him as the "most far-sighted, moderate-minded and also most trustworthy" holder of his office for at least 20 years.

He added: "But can you believe we have any other alternative to American mediation? I do not say the Soviet Union does not have a role to play. But it must be recognized that the U.S. holds most of the trump cards, since Israel depends entirely on it.

Asked if he believed U.S. threats of military intervention in the Middle East should be taken seriously, Sadat replied: "Henry is wrong to talk like this. The United States have been warned: the Arabs will set fire to their oilfields if they are victims of armed aggression."

He said: "I am ready to conclude a peace agreement with Israel and to respect the undertakings arising from such an agreement. However, I believe it is too early to speak of diplomatic relations and open frontiers."

K seeks advice of Congress

WASHINGTON (AP). — Secretary of State Henry Kissinger said yesterday that he is seeking the advice of Congress on "how to conduct trade relations with the Soviet Union in the future."

He told newsmen that the Ford Administration, faced with Soviet repudiation of a 1972 trade agreement, is not yet ready to make any specific recommendations to Congress.

Kissinger pledged specifically to consult the Senate Foreign Relations Committee before embarking on new approaches to the Soviet Union on trade. He said he believes that the development of a new approach "will need some time."

The Secretary of State spoke to newsmen after a three-hour, closed-door meeting with the Foreign Relations Committee on what its new chairman, Senator John Sparkman, Dem.-Alabama, described as "the global picture."

Responding to other questions, Kissinger said he expects to return to the Middle East in the next few weeks, but the date has not been set.

Ford will increase oil tax to save fuel

ASHINGTON (UPI). — President Ford yesterday rejected petrol ioning in favour of increased ation, and said that if the U.S. ntinued its dependence on foreign troleum, more than half the coun- s oil requirements would have come from abroad by 1985.

Explaining why he chose to dis- rage energy consumption through reased costs and taxes, Ford told news conference that all other ernatives were rejected after "the st comprehensive review in this tion's history."

He said the U.S. imported about e-third of its petroleum require- nts last year, when the Arab oil ycott helped plunge the economy o recession.

"The disruptions we suffered then uld be a small taste of what we ght experience" in a future embargo unless the country became more self-sufficient in its energy requirements.

Ford was holding his first news conference of the year and the sixth since he took office on August 9. He met reporters in the auditorium of the old Executive Office Building, next door to the White House.

Ford said that he would veto any mandatory petrol rationing bill passed by Congress because it would have to be in effect for five to 10 years and would limit motorists to less than nine gallons a week.

Countering pressure for rationing from the Democratic majority in Congress, Ford defended his programme to limit energy consumption through increased costs and taxes. He said he would issue a Presidential Proclamation later this week imposing increased tariffs on imported oil.

Galili chides Labour doves on Ma'ale Adumim future

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

Ma'ale Adumim is not considered priori to lie outside of Israel's ture borders by any Cabinet mem- r, and no Labour Party forum s ruled it out either, Minister ithout Portfolio Israel Galili chided e doves in the Alignment Knesset ction last night.

In a report designed to calm the rore over the project on the Jeru- lem-Jericho highway, Galili stress- that Mapam's Cabinet ministers d not vote against the idea. They erely requested a six-month's post- nement. The only bone of con- ution in the Cabinet over Ma'ale dumim was housing there, he re- lied.

Galili said that the Treasury had ficially approved the arrangement hereby the Jewish Agency could advance money to start work on the project until the new financial year began. Such advances from the Agency were quite common in past settlement ventures, on the Golan Heights especially, he said. The Ministry of Commerce was given the power of veto from the very beginning over all proposals about transferring industrial plants to Ma'ale Adumim from elsewhere, he said, in a reference to dove charges that *three major factories* scheduled for Galilee were to be diverted to Ma'ale Adumim.

The hawks in the Alignment faction were pleased by Galili's report. Mapam tried in vain to get an immediate debate and was promised it would be held at some subsequent meeting. The Labour doves did not utter one single word.

Greek-Cypriot rioters stone the U.S. Information Centre in Nicosia on Monday. Page 4, Embassy siege in Athens. (AP radiophoto)

Ski patrols on Mt. Hermon, Waldheim says

UNITED NATIONS (Reuter). — Bad weather has driven UN troops from the summit of Mount Hermon, Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim said.

He said the decision to withdraw and leave the summit unmanned owing to severe weather conditions was taken after consultations with the parties and with their full agreement.

Whenever weather permitted, daily ski patrols would be made to the summit from two other positions on the mountain which were still being manned, he said.

"With the improvement of the weather at springtime, UNDOF will resume its manning of the position," the Secretary-General said in a report to the Security Council.

No progress had been made towards clearing the minefields in the area and the force continued to receive complaints from Israel and Syria about failures to comply with the disengagement agreement in the area of separation or "areas of limitation of forces and armament."

U.S. requests landing rights in Oman

WASHINGTON (UPI). — The U.S. has requested landing rights at an airfield in Oman, at the head of the Persian Gulf, the Defence Department said yesterday.

A Pentagon spokesman said that the U.S. was not seeking a base there, but merely permission to land and refuel aircraft.

Although Pentagon officials played down the significance of the request, it was expected to arouse renewed concern about possible American military involvement in the oil-producing areas of the Middle East.

The airfield is part of a British staging and refuelling point on the island of Masirah, not far from the straits of Homuz, a narrow neck of water through which all the tanker-born oil from Iran, Iraq, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, Bahrein, Qatar, the United Arab Emirates and Oman must pass.

Pentagon officials said they envisioned using the base for "support aircraft connected with our increased presence in the Indian Ocean."

They said there was no intention of stationing any Americans at the airfield, and that the planes would land for refuelling and servicing.

Wilson to tell of Mart poll

LONDON (UPI). — Prime Minister Harold Wilson said yesterday that he would announce tomorrow how Britons would be asked to vote whether they wanted to remain in the Common Market.

Answering parliamentary questioners, Wilson said: *"I intend to* make a statement on Thursday about relevant aspects of the test of British public opinion on this matter and some of the arrangements we are proposing, subject to the final authority of the House."

The Wilson Government last summer began renegotiating the terms on which the former Conservative Party Government took Britain into the Common Market at the beginning of 1973.

The Labour Government argued that some of these terms, such as the amount Britain contributes to *the Common Market's budget, are* unfair.

Wilson has never said whether the vote on Mart membership will be by a referendum or in another general election, but political sources said he would almost certainly announce that the Government would hold a referendum.

Rabin backs voting change

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin yesterday expressed his full support for a change in the election system, from proportional to direct or mixed. He was replying to a delegation of the Electoral Reform Group, headed by its chairman, Haim Herzog. Other members of the delegation were Meir de Shalit, managing director of Laromme Hotel Ltd; Prof. Arne Enker, of Bar-Ilan University; Nahman Uriely, of the Am Oved publishing house, and Oved Ben-Ezer.

The delegation urged the premier to speed up the process of legislation in committee so that it can pass the first reading. There has been a switch of opinion among the parties recently, it is thought, in favour of the direct election of members by districts, and away from the present system of party lists. It is believed that both Herut and the Independent Liberals would now be ready to accept the direct system with some modifications.

The Labour party has been committed to a change in the system since it was proposed by Ben-Gurion more than a decade ago.

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THE WEATHER

Forecast: Partly cloudy. Possibility of local showers.
Weather synopsis: Trough from Sudan to east Mediterranean.

	Yesterday's Humidity	Yesterday's Min-Max	Today's Min-Max
Jerusalem	80	7—10	6—12
Nahariya	53	7—17	7—18
Safad	83	4—9	4—10
Haifa	58	10—17	10—18
Tiberias	60	7—17	8—19
Nazareth	53	7—14	7—14
Afula	51	7—17	6—18
Shomron	54	7—13	6—14
Tel Aviv	68	10—16	9—16
B-G Airport	64	8—18	6—19
Jericho	52	8—18	8—19
Gaza	76	10—17	9—18
Beersheba	63	6—15	6—17
Eilat	39	7—20	8—20
Tiran	39	12—21	12—21

Social and Personal

President Ephraim Katzir yesterday received the Paraguayan Minister of Education and Culture, Dr. Saul Pena.

On Monday, Dr. Pena and his wife visited Yad Vashem in Jerusalem.

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The Swiss Ambassador, Dr. Jacques Bernard Ruedi, yesterday called on Social Welfare Minister Michael Hazani.

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The Guatamalan Ambassador, Ramiro Gereda Asturias, yesterday called on Interior Minister Yosef Burg.

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The Italian Ambassador, Dr. Fausto Baccetti, yesterday called on the President of the Supreme Court, Justice Shimon Agranat.

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The Australian Ambassador, Rawdon Dalrymple, and his family on Monday visited the Hebrew University's Faculty of Agriculture in Rehovot, where they were the guests of the Dean, Prof. Yitzhak Harpaz.

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A delegation from the Christian Democratic Union of West Germany headed by P. Lorenz, vice-president of the Berlin Parliament and chairman of the CDU in Berlin, yesterday called on Mayor Teddy Kollek of Jerusalem.

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Members of the International Keren Hayesod Fact Finding Mission, here as guests of the Prime Minister, yesterday visited a number of IDF bases in Sinai.

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The Jerusalem Rotary Club will hold its regular luncheon meeting at the YMCA at 1 o'clock today. Prof. Milton Kerker will speak on Private Universities in the U.S.

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Mr. Abba Eban and Dr. Binyamin Halevi, MKs, will speak on "The Rights of Arabs and Jews in Eretz Yisrael" at a seminar in Beit Berl on Thursday morning.

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Mr. Ehud Olmert, MK, will speak on Meeting with Public Opinion Makers in the U.S., and Amiram Sivan, director-general of the National Insurance Institute, on Protection of Livelihood, at the Jerusalem Vocal Newspaper, in Beit Ha'am, at 8 o'clock Friday. In the chair will be Aharon Geva of "Davar."

ARRIVALS

Henry Montor, founder and first Chief Executive Officer of the Israel Bond Organization, and Mrs. Montor, for the 1975 Prime Minister's Israel Bond Conference.

Robert Shaw, film actor and dramatist, to participate in the new feature film, "Diamonds."

DEPARTURES

Uri Alpert, Tel Aviv Labour Council Secretary, to Germany at the invitation of the trade unions of North Rhine-Westphalia (by El Al).

MASKIT'S NEW Jerusalem shop, two-storey premises in Rehov Harav Kook, off Zion Square, was formally opened yesterday by Commerce Minister Haim Bar-Lev and Maskit founder and president Mrs. Ruth Dayan.

IN THE KNESSET By ASHER WALLFISH

NRP defeated in vote for dayanim committee

The Committee which appoints *dayanim* (religious court judges) will have no Knesset Member from the National Religious Party, for the first time in the history of the State. But, also for the first time, it *will* have a Knesset Member from the right-wing Opposition.

These two directly-related facets of parliamentary history, stemmed from the bitter power struggle within the National Religious Party, between the Burg-Raphael establishment and the Warhaftig-Young Guard minority.

The plenum yesterday held a secret ballot to elect the two MKs, who represent the Knesset on the nine-man *dayanim* appointments committee.

To general surprise, Gahal's Menahem Yedid received most votes, 56, followed by the Alignment's Rabbi Menahem Hacohen with 54. The losers were Aharon Abu Hatseira (NRP) with 47 and Rabbi Kalman Kahana (Aguda Bloc) with 40 — the most any Aguda man has ever won in such a ballot.

MENAHEM YEDID

The traditional deal between the Alignment and the NRP should have returned Hacohen and Abu Hatseira with the most votes. However, the Young Guard of the NRP, having fought in vain inside the faction to put up their Zevulun Hammer as a candidate, voted for the Gahal man instead, it seems. This is despite their claims that they would never spoil the chances of Abu Hatseira, because he was a Sephardi.

At the same time, several Alignment votes clearly went to either Yedid or Kahana, from members who are antipathetic to Hatseira's chief backer, Religious Affairs Minister Yitzhak Raphael.

The Young Guard MKs later said that they saw the result as a significant blow against the Burg-Raphael leadership.

Zevulun Hammer said: "Had the NRP proposed me, I would have got in."

The ballot to put three MKs onto the committee to appoint *Kadis* (Moslem Sharia Court Judges) returned Yitzhak Navon (Alignment) with the most votes, 67. The second man in, with 65 votes, was parliamentary newcomer Hamad Abu Rabi'a (Alignment-affiliated). Third man in was Seif-e-Din Zuabi (Alignment-affiliated) with 57, while Meir Cohen Likud 44, lost.

This vote indicated that Zuabi, unlike Abu Rabi'a, did not secure support outside the Alignment.

'MKs for the poor' stage silence strike

Two newcomers to the Knesset who act as unofficial spokesmen for the disadvantaged sectors of society, have declared a parliamentary-style protest strike for today.

Meir Cohen (Likud) and Jacques Amir (Alignment) said they were withdrawing their motion about welfare recipients from today's agenda, because motions on social matters were always scheduled for the end of the day's session, instead of enjoying priority. Their motion was due to be No. 8 on the list, and last.

The House generally thins out to a bare handful of Members towards the end of Wednesday sessions

"Since we've been in the Knesset we've got the impression that there's a practice of pushing social issues affecting tens of thousands of needy citizens, into the background," Amir told *The Jerusalem Post*. "Instead of our motion, they want to give priority to Sabbath wages in Ashdod port and profiteering from housing sales. If the day comes when half the Knesset at least truly represent the common people, we could get things done. What we need here is a bit of a revolution."

'No comment' on Bension — yet

Reacting to allegations in a Tel Aviv newspaper that Pinhas Sapir, at the time Minister of Finance, had persuaded Moshe Sanbar, Governor of the Bank of Israel, not to remove Yehoshua Bension, head of the Israel-British Bank, the spokesman of the central bank yesterday announced that the Governor is "unwilling to comment on the matter as long as the case is still in court and Mr. Bension had not been sentenced." A day earlier, the spokesman had issued a flat "no-comment" statement on the alleged influence asserted by Mr. Sapir.

Bension was found guilty this month of speculating in IBB funds in the sum of $47m.

Rabinowitz says budget criticism 'speculative'

Finance Minister Yehoshua Rabinowitz told the Knesset yesterday that the press had erected "mountains of baseless speculation" about an alleged large deficit in the 1975/76 draft Budget. This speculation, he said, was based on a few scraps of incomplete information, before details had been fully worked out, regarding the revenue side.

He uttered this criticism in reply to the debate on the Supplementary Budget for 1974/75, in which many speakers spoke as much about next year's Budget as the one featuring on the agenda. The Budget was voted to Committee on the first reading.

Earlier, the House voted into a law a long list of technical amendments to the Income Tax Ordinance.

Finance Committee Chairman Israel Kargman, who piloted the bill through the second and third readings, noted that the Committee had introduced many changes in the version which the Treasury had sponsored.

He noted that the penalties for tax offences would now be much stiffer.

The Finance Committee declined to take up the issue of tax on employees' car allowances, Kargman said, because the proposed Ben-Shachar tax reform panel would take this up.

It spurned the Treasury's request to allow the Assessing Officer to question relatives of an assessee under oath, about his income. This practice would remain permissible, as of now, only if the assessee goes to court.

KNESSET BRIEFS

YOUNG ISRAEL'S settlement scheme in Beit Shemesh should be granted more advantageous purchase terms and home prices should be fixed, the Knesset Labour Committee recommended yesterday, after discussing two motions on the topic. The Committee complained the Young Israel group encountered unnecessary red tape and an unhelpful, conservative approach from the authorities.

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SABBATH WORK permits would have to be published in *"Reshumot,"* the Official Gazette, under a private member's bill tabled yesterday by Rabbi Yehuda Meir Abramovitz (Aguda Bloc).

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BAGRUT MATRIC EXAMS should be cancelled entirely, argues David Coren (Alignment), a former school principal, in a parliamentary question tabled to the Education Minister. Coren has also tabled a motion proposing this.

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POLIO FIGURES for 1974 are very slightly higher than in previous years, but the same as in 1969, because of periodic fluctuations in the appearance of a more aggressive virus, the Knesset Public Services Committee was told yesterday. Prof. Ya'acov Menczel, director-general of the Health Ministry, told the Committee the authorities had the facilities to ensure that every Arab child in the areas received the necessary polio vaccinations.

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KNESSET ANNIVERSARY ceremonies on Tu Bishvat, which falls on Monday, will centre around an organised visit by 220 citizens, including bereaved parents, distinguished soldiers, Border Police, immigrants and border settlers. No other reception will be held in the interests of economy.

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ISRAEL'S future fuel should come from plants and fermenting agricultural products, Hebrew University chemistry Prof. Aharon David Bergmann told the Knesset Economic Committee yesterday. He said the country made a bad mistake in not deciding in 1965 to build an atom-powered electricity plant.

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CITIZENS ABROAD would be able to vote in Knesset and municipal elections under a new private member's bill tabled on Monday by Boaz Moav (CRM). At present only citizens on Israel ships can vote abroad.

The children of Neve Ativ in the Golan Heights are already gaining practical experience in one of the branches of the moshav's economy. In the photo, two of Neve Ativ's younger settlers try their hand at skiing on Mount Hermon. (Segal)

Manchester City win 2:0 with little effort

By PAUL KOHN
Jerusalem Post Soccer Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Manchester City, the English First Division side, was not extended to beat the Israel National selected 2:0 before 20,000 spectators, including Premier Yitzhak Rabin, at the Bloomfield Stadium last night.

The international stars of the highly touted Manchester forward line, such as Rodney Marsh, Joe Royle, Dennis Tueart and Mike Summerbee, had no need to pull out the stops and did not appear at their sharpest.

The game was evenly fought until the first goal in the 25th minute. It was an unfortunate affair for Israel. Royle shot at goal from the right wing. Goalkeeper Yossi Sorinov, instead of collecting the ball, punched at it. The ball reached Summerbee, whose first time shot was diverted by Miko Bello into his own goal. This own goal badly affected Israel's play and the defence looked jittery under pressure.

Both sides brought in a number of substitutes in the second half, and it was one of these, Phil Henson, who shot the second Manchester goal from 16 metres out.

The Israel team's performance was disappointing. The attack, with the exception of Eli Leventhal on the right wing, rarely spelt danger to the well-organized Manchester defence. Goalkeeper Corrigan could teach Sorinov a valuable lesson in correct positional play and how to collect a ball cleanly, rather than trying spectacular, but risky, punches at high balls.

Anyone want a fight?

Mike Rossman

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — An up-and-coming young American Jewish boxer, middle weight Mike Rossman, the "Jewish Bomber" of New Jersey, will fight in Israel during Pessah for the benefit of wounded soldiers, Mr. Jack Shaladovsky, the local boxing manager, told *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday. His opponent for the bout, probably over 10 rounds, has not yet been determined.

Rossman, at 19, is considered one of America's most promising young fighters, and is ranked eighth in his division by "Boxing" magazine. He has won 12 of his 13 professional fights, including nine knockouts, and drew one.

Rossman, named Sportsman of the Year by the New Jersey sports writers association, invariably wears a Magen David on his trunks.

The idea of a fight in Israel, with proceeds to go to the Wounded Soldiers, was readily accepted by Rossman's manager, veteran Jewish boxing personality, Jimmy De Paino, who is his stepfather, Shaladovsky said. He expects to be able to fill the Yad Eliahu stadium for the event, at benefit ticket prices, "without difficulty."

Jailed for seeing Syrian agent

Jerusalem Post Reporter

MAJDAL SHAMS. — A local man Suleiman Mahmud Abu Saleh, 20, was sentenced to two years in prison yesterday for infiltrating into Syria last August, and meeting there with a Syrian intelligence officer. He was arrested on his return.

The intelligence officer had urged him to cooperate with Syrian intelligence and to collect information in Israel about army movements, Saleh said yesterday. His relatives said he left for Syria to meet with his uncles but hinted many young Druse from this village have lately crossed the border into Syria, some for political reasons.

Wolves take on the Sheikh's men

LONDON (Reuter). — British First Division football club Wolverhampton Wanderers are spending this week in Kuwait where tomorrow they will play staff from the palace of Kuwait's ruling Sheikh, Sabah a-Salim a-Sabah.

"The Sheikh is a football fanatic," a Wolves official said today, "and wants to see his team play a top British side."

BASKETBALL

Results of last night's National Basketball League games:
Tel Aviv Elitzur 71 Gvat-Yagur 85
Haifa Hapoel 78 Ramat Gan Hapoel 80
Givat Brenner-Nesan 126 Megiddo Hap. 85
Ramat Gan Mac. 120 Jerusalem Betar 88
Tel Aviv Hapoel 105 Afula Hapoel 84
Kiryat Haim Hap. 80 Haifa Maccabi 67
Jerusalem Hapoel 92 Tel Aviv Mac. 93

840,000 crossed Jordan in '74

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Some 840,000 persons crossed the Jordan River in both directions during 1974, according to official figures released yesterday.

Nearly 280,000 West Bank and Gaza Strip residents crossed to the east bank for visits to neighbouring Arab countries, while 265,000 returned by the year's end. About 138,000 visitors came last year from neighbouring countries, 109,000 of them during the summer months. Tourists coming to Israel via the bridges numbered 16,500.

5 years for murder of grandfather

RAMALLAH. — A 16-year-old youth from the village of El-Jib near here received a five year prison sentence yesterday for the murder of his grandfather.

In the course of an argument with the 95-year-old man, Mahmoud Daka, about a year ago, the lad set fire to his room. The old man was severely burned by the flames and two months later succumbed to his burns. (Itim)

EILTS

(Continued from page one)

and the Abu Rodeis oil fields; and the nature of Egyptian concessions, involving access of Israeli cargoes to the Suez waterway and Egypt's suspension of belligerency for a period.

The observers said chances for a new Sinai settlement could not be estimated until the actual negotiating process begins. The observers said that Kissinger feels no progress can be made unless the two sides lock horns in a face-to-face meeting.

Middle East analysts said Sadat was currently in a dilemma: on the one hand, he seems to be adopting a hardline negotiating stance, calling for further Israeli withdrawal in Sinai without any concessions from Cairo (other than reopening of the Suez Canal, which he actually undertook under last year's disengagement agreement). On the other hand, Sadat does not want to undermine the possibility of a successful second stage in negotiations to break the current stalemate.

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Building workers say 15,000 will be jobless

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Fifteen to twenty-thousand building labourers face unemployment if the Government maintains the partial ban on construction imposed last June, Mordechai Amster, secretary-general of the Building Labourers' Federation, warned yesterday. He said he expected the slump to begin in mid-1975.

Mr. Amster told a press conference here that 75,000-80,000 workers are employed in construction (40,000 are Jews). To keep them working, construction of 6.5 million square metres must be started annually. But in 1975 an estimated construction of only five million square metres is to be started.

Last June the Government ordered a halt on building projects of 800,000 square metres and a ban on large homes. Mr. Amster said these projects were largely financed by private and foreign investors. If the restrictions are lifted, unemployment will be averted, he said.

Housing Minister Avraham Ofer proposed in December a partial lifting of the ban, but the Cabinet extended it to March.

Cigar plant's sales steady

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — Despite the recession, the Jacoby Cigar Plant here is producing its regular rate of seven million cigars a year. Sales have remained steady.

Plant manager Rudolf Zorn told *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday that consumption probably went down as a result of a price increase, but sales are steady probably because wholesalers are increasing their stocks against the next "inevitable" price rise. He said he had applied for a further price increase as present prices were "not realistic."

Since the devaluation, some smokers have probably switched from imported cigars, now two to three times more expensive than the local product, he said. Until now they accounted for about 10 per cent of total sales.

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Agonies of Syrian Jewry

TEL AVIV. — Education Min Aharon Yadlin said yesterday Syrian military intelligence has arresting Jews wantonly, "whip and inflicting burns on sens parts of their bodies."

He told a Syrian Jewry assembly here that Jewish Sc children are compelled to learn Government textbooks which "Jews are criminals and must annihilated." Jewish teachers been dismissed and the principa the Jewish school in Damascu an Arab, the Minister said.

Premier Rabin told the gathe "The Syrians couldn't stand u the I.D.F. They are taking it ou the Jews in the ghettos of Dama and other places."

Alain Poher, President of French Senate who has been a on behalf of Syrian Jewry, sai a telephone message from Pari the Mann Auditorium that the rian Government must honour undertakings under the U.N. Human Rights charters and rel the Jews who want to leave.

A memorial candle was lit by Cohen, daughter of Eli Cohen was hanged in Damascus for es age for Israel.

Begin urges protes

TEL AVIV. — Herut leader M hem Begin, MK, last night urg delegation of the United Israel peal to go back to their coun and demonstrate for the releas Syrian Jews and for an end to harassment of Jews who wan leave the Soviet Union.

Speaking to the visitors at Hilton Hotel here, Mr. Begin commented on President Sadat' terview published yesterday in Monde." "We are not afraid," Begin said, adding that the A never attacked when they knew rael was prepared.

T.A. cafes to close early while streets stay dim

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Centrally located cafes and restaurants here will close at 7 p.m. as of Sunday to back protests against darker city streets resulting from municipal economies.

The city in recent weeks dimmed street lighting, and in most streets only every other light is turned on at dusk. The General Merchants' Association, which decided on the protest, says the economy move has resulted in almost no business after sundown. Tourists, they argue, are especially averse to dark streets.

The first stage of the protest will involve cafes and restaurants in the main streets of town.

Street lighting restrictions and in other municipalities say more than 1,000 tons of oil year out of an overall nat consumption of eight million of fuel, the merchants say. T association further warns that its Tel Aviv protest does not sult in a repeal of the light limitations, the early closing spread to other cities.

Tel Aviv Deputy Mayor Yitz Artzi (Independent Liberal) appealed to Mayor Shlomo La to turn on all the lights ag arguing the city is needlessly pressing at night. Mr. Lahat so far refused to turn on the li and his resolve is backed by o Dan region mayors who have d med the streets.

Ashdod port workers form joint council

By YITZHAK OKED
Jerusalem Post Reporter

ASHDOD. — Representatives from the eight works committees at the port signed an agreement yesterday forming a joint council for all 2,000 port workers. The representatives are to meet today to sign the council's regulations and to elect a chairman and secretary.

It has already been decided that the chairman will serve for only two months, the post rotating among representatives of the various works committees. The council secretary is expected to be Yehoshua Peretz, the present secretary of the dockers' committee. The dockers — the largest sector of workers in the port — are expected to have four seats on the council, while the other committees will have one e

The decision to form a j council has been under discussion some time, but it was spurred the administration workers' wild strike last week, which caused di culties for all the workers. Avrah Todres, a local labour council o cial, and the secretaries of the wo committees helped bring about decision.

The formation of the council sho speed up an agreement with administration workers, who are sign the 1974 labour contract tod

Port spokesman Haim Shust told *The Jerusalem Post* yester that despite some labour proble 1974 had been a good year: ab four million tons of cargo pas through the port, and more th 1,300 ships.

Jerusalem grocers get packing — together

By AARON SITTNER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The friendly corner grocer should not be assigned to oblivion by the modern self-service supermarket, Haim Bar-Lev, Minister of Commerce and Industry, said yesterday.

He was speaking at opening ceremonies for Shishar, a packaging plant wholly owned by 150 Jewish and Arab grocers in Jerusalem. Each one of the neighbourhood grocers owns a share in the plant, in the Atarot industrial zone, north of the city.

"The small retailer has become the weakest link in the marketing chain," Bar-Lev said. "This is true not only because he cannot compete in price with the supermarkets and department stores, but also because consumers in general have become more choosy. But the small retailer can still survive if he offers the customer perso service plus, if possible, sligh lower prices."

All of Shishar's grocer-owne are members of the Jerusale Commerce Federation, which pr motes cooperative purchasing its members. For years, the fed ration has served as central be purchasing agent for its butche members.

At Shishar, members will have their dry goods pre-packaged f retail sales. The items are suga flour, rice, coffee and dried legume More commodities will be added the list later.

Federation secretary Yitzhak Gu man told *The Jerusalem Post* mo than half-a-million pounds was i vested in ultra-modern Dutch pack ing machinery, which can break bu at the rate of three tons per hou and turn out 60 consumer-sized pack ages per minute.

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ORITH BLUMENSTEIN
LUDWIG and REGINA VICTOR
JACOB and SIDIA BLUMENSTEIN
RAPHAEL BASCHAN and FAMILY

In deep sorrow, we announce the death of the dear head of our family,
DOV GRINSTEIN
The funeral will leave today, Wednesday, January 22, 1975, at 2 p.m., from the house of the deceased, 41 Rehov Krinitzi, Ramat Gan, for the Kiryat Shaul Cemetery, and will proceed via the Great Synagogue, Ramat Gan.
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First letters in years say: 'It's not bad Jews in Syria'

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — Jews who still have ...y in Syria have recently ...ved letters from their re... saying that conditions ...Syrian Jews were tolerable, ... reports of oppression were ...gerated and that there even ... business enterprises jointly ...d and operated by Moslems ... Jews.

...rmer Syrian Jews familiar ... the tactics of the Damas... regime are not surprised ... the first letters to reach ... in years should contain ... accounts. They believe ...n intelligence has forced ... to write the letters in or... to improve Syria's interna...l image, tarnished by its ...ecution of the Jewish Com...ity.

...rians who murder Jews are ... prosecuted; and Jews are ...nuously harassed by ex...ists, whose acts are con...d by the government.

...is believed that there actu... is a shop in Damascus ...ed jointly by a Moslem and ...w, but it was set up as an ...bit for foreign consumption.

En route to a scheduled performance at Moshav Dovev, a group of entertainers crossed the path of an IDF patrol heading for their nightly tour of duty on the Lebanese border. They decided to improvise a brief show for the surprised and delighted soldiers before parting ways. The members of the troupe, seen here with the soldiers on one of their half-tracks, were comedian Lior Vardimon, singer Rachel Egget, mimic Yisrael Nitzan, Victor Waknin, bouzouki, and Y. Ayas, drums.

New Jerusalem school strike breaks out as one ends

By ERNIE MEYER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The 800 pupils of Jerusalem's Evelina de Rothschild high school for girls stayed away from their studies yesterday in protest against overcrowding and other bad physical conditions at the school.

Adina Potok of the school's parents committee told *The Jerusalem Post* that, after years of fruitless negotiations with the Education Ministry and the Municipality, the parents had endorsed the strike "with heavy heart." Mrs. Potok said that, four years ago, the Evelina de Rothschild school, founded in 1870 by the Anglo-Jewish Association of London in co-operation with Jerusalem educators, agreed to the urging of the Education Ministry and the Municipality to change the school from a private institution into a public school. The school was to include a new junior high school section under the Ministry's "reform" plan.

In return for becoming part of the State religious school network, the city promised to put up new high school and junior high school buildings on the institution's ground in Rehov Ussishkin. The high school buildings did not go up; instead the city erected a new elementary school building, not under the control of the Evelina de Rothschild school, Mrs. Potok said.

Last year the agreement with the city was renegotiated, and several of the elementary school classes were transferred to the newly completed Paula Ben-Gurion school in the Valley of Rehavia, near the Monastery of the Cross. Last week four of the vacated elementary school classes were finally made available to the high school, Mr. Potok said. "But we need the other six classes still occupied by the elementary school, too," she added.

Another Jerusalem school strike ended yesterday. The eight-day strike of teachers at the Givat Shapiro elementary school on French Hill ended yesterday with the teachers accepting assurances by an Education Ministry inspector that temporary safety arrangements at the school were satisfactory.

The Teachers Union earlier had threatened to extend the strike to other schools unless the Municipality completed the work of fencing the school grounds and laying down a proper playground.

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Trains getting automatic brakes

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — Electronic equipment that will halt a train automatically if its driver overlooks a stop signal is being installed by Israel Railways' communications department.

The equipment, bought for $500,000 in 1973, would probably have been in use by now, had it not been for a dispute between management and the engine drivers who have been claiming higher wages for over a year.

One of the advantages of the new equipment is that it will enable passenger trains on the Haifa-Tel Aviv line to run at speeds of up to 120 k.p.h. The present maximum, under the signals system which relies on the engine drivers' vigilance, is 105 k.p.h., in accordance with international regulations.

The Railways' spokesman said yesterday that he did not know how much longer the installation will take.

...eal money pay ...ones installed

Jerusalem Post Reporter

...AVIV. — The country's first ...money" pay phones — where ...ora coins can be dropped in ...d of hard-to-get tokens — ... been installed in the Tel Aviv ...

... Communications Ministry ... to install hundreds of such ...s throughout the country in ...ear future. In Tel Aviv, they ... already operating in Rehov ...Yehuda, Dizengoff Circus and ...entral Bus Station.

...e public has long been afflicted ... shortage of telephone tokens, ...h many persons have been ...ling in the current inflation.

'Precious stones' bourse opens in Ramat Gan today

By ARTHUR KEMELMAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — A centre for the sale and authentication of precious stones, claimed as the only one of its kind in the world, is opening today in Ramat Gan, near the Diamond Exchange.

The Israel Precious Stones Exchange, which will deal with all precious stones other than diamonds, was initiated by local and foreign dealers, polishers and jewellers.

David Naiditch, chairman of the exchange, said yesterday that the sales of jewellery and stones such as rubies, sapphires, opals, topazes and others amounted last year to $23m. of which $13.5m. was to tourists. Precious stones and jewellery have an added value of 40 to 50 per cent.

Mr. Naiditch said that sales should be vastly increased by the activities of the exchange. "Since most jewellery dealers handle both diamonds and precious stones, they will now be able to carry out all their business in one place, Israel, rather than have to travel to different parts of the world."

An important activity, Naiditch said, will be verification of the authenticity of precious stones by the Institute of Gemnology attached to the exchange.

'Sheraton' to be 'Pal'

Jerusalem Post Travel Correspondent

The former Sheraton Hotel in Tel Aviv, recently purchased by the Pal hotel group, has been renamed to bear the name of the company, it was announced this week.

The renaming to "Pal" is the five-star hostelry's second in as many weeks. The head of the company, Arieh Paloch, had originally decided to name it the Grand Garden Hotel. It is across Rehov Hayarkon from the group's first Israel hotel, the four-star Grand Beach.

A MUNICIPAL stadium and park, covering an area of 200 dunams, is to be built in Ashdod. A Municipality official said yesterday that development work on the project will begin soon.

No profit in coffee, says dealer

By ARTHUR KEMELMAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — What is a reasonable profit on a bag of roasted coffee?

Shmuel Landwer, who last month closed his shop here on Allenby Road — where Tel Avivians have been buying roasted coffee for 40 years — wrote to the head of the prices division of the Ministry of Commerce about this question. He told Michael Shefer that he would have done better had he sat back and done nothing in 1974 and invested in index-linked bonds. Landwer said he would have earned about 60 to 70 per cent on his bonds.

Dr. Shefer replied that a reasonable profit on a bag of roasted coffee is "a net profit of five per cent before taxes."

Landwer commented that after taxes, this would have given him a one per cent profit. This was unreasonable, he said, especially when yearly inflation was 58 per cent in 1974.

With the closure of the shop on December 31, 1974, Landwer brought to an end the retailing side of M. Landwer Ltd. In future, Landwer will deal only wholesale.

Mr. Landwer told *The Jerusalem Post* that despite the closure of the Allenby shop, Landwer's was healthy financially. Although people have tended to switch to cheaper brands of coffee since the devaluation, they have not lowered their consumption of the beverage, he said.

Treasury wants expert opinion on defence budget

By DAVID KEIVINE
Jerusalem Post Economic Correspondent

There is a great deal of resentment in the Treasury about its inability, year after year, to fix priorities in the defence budget. "We need to set up a unit qualified to pronounce in this field," a senior Treasury official told pressmen in Jerusalem yesterday.

The Finance Ministry prunes budget requests from all the civilian departments, but, for lack of information, is not qualified to make judgments on the giant expenditure programme of the military — which will come to IL22,000m. in the year ahead, or 40 per cent of the budget total. The Treasury had wanted to set a ceiling of IL20,000m.

The top official went on: "We do not want to meddle with the purchase of arms. But when it comes to military construction jobs, for example, it may be that they could be spread over 16 or 17 months instead of 12 months, saving public funds and easing budgetary strains considerably." As it is, the Treasury may instead be cutting civilian services that really merit a higher priority, he intimated.

The unit to check defence expenditure could be located in the Prime Minister's Office or the Treasury; but only the Cabinet can decide, he added.

Questioned about problems during the coming fiscal year, the official made it clear that the Value Added Tax is a must. No reform of the present crippling income-tax system is possible unless Vat is introduced. Whether it will start at a low figure of five per cent (on all goods and services), in order to run it in, or whether the rate should be higher, depends on how big a reform is made in the country's direct taxes.

He admitted that the index-linked State debts are a burden on the exchequer. "Under conditions of unleashed inflation, the linkage idea has disadvantages. Money is streaming away from production branches to speculation on price inflation through these bonds. However, if we should tax the linkage provision, as many people in the Histadrut advocate, we should not be able to mobilise all the loans we need for the budget — and they supply billions of pounds of revenue."

Tax evasion is a scandal, but so are exaggerated tales about its scale. "I can say this, that the tax authorities collected all the revenue they were supposed to this year, plus the extra IL1,500m. they were asked (last July) to levy through tougher measures."

Another question was about rumours that the U.S. Government would not supply all the aid requested. The official conceded that the Americans face economic difficulties — but he thought the aid would be approved in full.

Flat purchase law goes into effect next month

A law to protect the interests of flat purchasers goes into effect on February 2, the Housing Ministry spokesman said yesterday.

He said the law, adopted by the Knesset several months ago, forbids contractors from receiving down payments exceeding 15 per cent of the price of a flat unless additional sums are guaranteed in one of several ways (such as insurance policies) against the contractor going bankrupt or simply disappearing with the buyer's money.

The law also requires contractors to post guarantees against down payments they receive. (The Federation of Contractors and Builders last December announced the formation of its own insurance company that will issue policies to cover the buyer's financial losses in case of default.)

Kirya plan discussed

...hould the Government ...ower over Jerusalem?

...y ABRAHAM RABINOVICH
Jerusalem Post Reporter

...a Government centre focused ...5-storey towers a "fascist" con... alien to Israel? Or does rejec... of such a dominant profile in ...ur of modesty reflect a lingering ... to mentality?

... was this question of philosophy ...er that aesthetics which domi...d the first public discussion on ... proposal for the Kirya in Jeru...n. The meeting, at Beit Agron on ...day, was sponsored by the Muni...lity in cooperation with the Je...lem branch of the Association ...ngineers and Architects.

...e Kirya (Government Centre) ...rs 1,000 dunams between the ...sset and Binyanei Ha'ooma, an ... comparable in size to the Old ... Aside from the Knesset, only ...e buildings have so far gone ...n the centre. They contain 25,000 ...re metres of floor space and ...e 1,500 workers. Architects Da... Reznik and David Brutzkus were ...d by the Government to draw ...plans for a centre with 250,000 ...re metres and 18,000 employees. ...eir proposed solution is a carpet ...w buildings culminating in four ...torey towers around a ceremo... square. One of the objects of ... towers, Reznik explained at the ...ting, was to counter the effect ...he 21-storey Hilton Hotel at the ... of the Kirya and provide the ...salem skyline with a more ap...priate dominant element. Even ...rt from this, however, towers ...e in themselves a proper way ...xpress the "capitalness" of Jeru...m. "Do we have to be modest ...n no other nation is?" the archi... asked. "To be embarrassed and ...lest is to maintain the Diaspora ...tality with its fear of the ...sm." For this reason, he said, ...e has to this day been no pub... building in this country worthy ...he name.

...lthough his remarks drew ap...ving shouts of "hear, hear" from ...ral members of the audience, ...ch was made up in good part of architects and engineers, most of the persons who rose to speak challenged Reznik's concept. Several equated tower construction with the fascist approach to architecture. Architect Michael Kuhn said that the symbolism was a fabrication and that towers were anti-democratic. "After seven years of haughtiness, maybe we'll calm down. We're not an empire and we won't be. Jerusalem's charm is its modesty."

Engineer Dan Wind noted that the new Mount Scopus campus of the Hebrew University would fit 185,000 square metres of floor space — three-quarters the space of the proposed Kirya — in just 180 dunams and all in buildings lower than five storeys. "There's no need to make the Government stand out architecturally."

While strongly defending his concept, Reznik said he would not insist on towers "if the nation doesn't want it."

The Reznik-Brutzkus plan was approved by the Local Planning Commission last summer in its basic outline — with the major exception of the towers. The committee decided to leave to future generations the question of how to symbolize Israel's sovereignty but it opened the way to beginning construction of low-rise buildings in the centre. The plan is now before the District Planning Commission.

Deputy Mayor Meron Benvenisti stressed the urgency of construction in the Kirya. He noted that, since 1967, the Government has added only 4,000 square metres of floor space in the Kirya while acquiring 10 times that amount of space elsewhere in the city. Of this, he said, 5,300 square metres is in converted apartments. By their presence in the Central Business District, Benvenisti said, Government offices pushed up land prices, thereby forcing commercial firms to seek space outside the business district. They also heavily taxed street and parking space.

This sterile operating theatre went into use yesterday at Haifa's Rambam Hospital, made possible through donations by British Jews. Its fibreglass walls provide better protection against dust and germ-bearing particles in the air. The astronaut-like masks worn by the surgical team are also made of fibre-glass. Air is ventilated into the theatre through special filters. (Ippa)

16% less advertising in 1974 due to hard times

By MOSHE ATER
Jerusalem Post Economic Editor

TEL AVIV. — Rising costs and sagging business have adversely affected advertising, and this trend is likely to gather pace, the chairman of the Advertisers Association, Eytan Ezrahi, told reporters yesterday.

Total spending on advertising amounted to IL271m. in 1974, a 42 per cent rise over the previous year. However, the advance in costs was more than that, while the real volume of publicity declined. Newspaper tariffs — which account for two-thirds of the aggregate advertisement spending — rose by an average of 70 per cent, while the space of advertisements published decreased by almost 16 per cent.

The decline was most pronounced in advertisements of building ventures (60 per cent fewer inches than in 1973), household goods (26 per cent less), and clothing (20 per cent less). A full 25 per cent of the dailies' advertising income came from "vacancies" ads, which are also declining now, as the labour shortage is less keenly felt.

In newspaper advertising, there is a marked trend towards concentrating on a few selected dailies. The two evening papers have been least affected by cuts in publicity budgets while the smaller morning papers had their advertisement space cut dramatically. In terms of money, advertising in the two evening papers increased more than 50 per cent, in "Ha'aretz" 40 per cent, in *The Jerusalem Post* 23 per cent, and in all other dailies 11 per cent.

Newspapers accounted for 65 per cent of the total amount spent on advertising last year (slightly more than in 1973, and much more than in most other countries), weeklies for three per cent, and broadcasting for about seven per cent. Most of the rest went to street advertising, window display, and pamphlets and direct posting. Graphic and administrative costs accounted for about four per cent of total spending.

Hand wounds ward for Tel Hashomer

TEL AVIV. — A new ward is being constructed at the Sheba Medical Centre at Tel Hashomer for rehabilitating soldiers wounded in the hand.

Dr. Mordechai Shani, head of the hospital, said that the ward will contain an operating theatre for surgery of the hands as well as the latest rehabilitation facilities. Rehabilitation efforts will also be directed towards civilians who have been similarly injured through work or traffic accidents.

The Diamond Exchange has contributed IL2m. towards the project.

THE WINNING six numbers in the Lotto draw of Mifal Hapayis are: 02, 08, 13, 15, 35 and 36. The additional number (which Mifal Hapayis adds) was 14.

New face shield could help save soldiers' eyes

In view of the severity of eye injuries sustained by IDF soldiers during the Yom Kippur War, ophthalmological experts have recommended that all members of armoured and motorized field units wear a special plastic face shield.

In a report appearing in the medical publication "Harefua," Professor Isaac Michaelson, Professor Juan Zauberman, Dr. A. Levinson and Dr. Michael Belkin state that the soldiers should immediately be required to wear the shields on their helmets.

The team of experts attributed the high incidence of eye injuries in the last war, especially to soldiers in the Armoured Corps, to the increased velocity and effectiveness of modern weapons. They claim that their recommendation, if adopted, could save the sight of a great many soldiers in the future.

The recommended face shield which is already used by Israel Air Force pilots is made of a special plastic compound called "CR 39," which is ten times more resistant than glass to high velocity particles. It is also light, translucent and does not cloud with water vapour. (Itim)

Lasers could turn sea water into energy 'by year 2000'

By EVE BERGER
Special to The Jerusalem Post

"IF MAN COULD SOLVE the laser fusion problem he'd resolve the world's energy crisis forever," Dr. Ray Kidder of the famous Lawrence Livermore Laboratory recently told *The Jerusalem Post*.

Dr. Kidder, assistant to Dr. Edward Teller, the father of the hydrogen bomb, elaborated on his hypothesis: "If the deuterium (heavy isotope of hydrogen, nucleus of the atom) in one gallon of sea water could be made to fuse, it would provide as much energy as 300 gallons of petrol. The opportunities are limitless."

His colleague, Dr. John Dawson, of the University of California's Physics Department, enumerated several possibilities: "With laser fusion one could irrigate the desert and desalinate the ocean." He added, however, that "no practical application is feasible before the year 2000."

Drs. Kidder and Dawson together with 12 other foreign scientists were in Israel to participate in a conference on "The Physics of Plasma induced by Lasers and Electron Beams," which was held in Arad at the beginning of January. Attendance at the symposium, which was sponsored by the National Council for Research and Development, was by invitation only and the participants represented such institutions as the Los Alamos Scientific Laboratory and Yale University, as well as Israel's own Weizmann Institute and Nahal Soreq Nuclear Research Centre. Its chairman was Ze'ev Zinamon, head of the Department of Nuclear Physics at the Weizmann Institute. In addition to the foreign participants, over 100 Israeli scientists attended.

Scientists now know that by bombarding plasma (not to be confused with blood plasma) with a concentrated stream of lasers or high energy electrons, high densities of energy are created in small volumes at intense temperatures close to those recorded at the centres of the stars. For this reason lasers and electron rays have long been considered important tools for research into the properties of matter at high energy densities.

More recently, the threats of a world energy crisis prompted intensification of research into methods of harnessing laser and electron rays in an attempt to create a new energy source.

The "Physics of Plasma" conference was one of the "Israel Scientific Research Conferences," held annually under the auspices of the Israel National Council for Research and Development. A small group of prominent scientists who have made advanced contributions in their discipline are invited to each conference, and their expenses are covered by the National Council.

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3 Orly gunmen held in Baghdad

BEIRUT. — Three Arab terrorists, who attempted to shell an El Al airliner in Paris, surrendered "without any problems" to Iraqi officials when they arrived in Baghdad yesterday, officials at Baghdad Airport said.

The three gunmen arrived in a commandeered Air France Boeing 707 at 4.43 a.m.

Twenty-one persons were injured when the terrorists hurled grenades and exchanged gunfire with police at Orly Airport on Sunday. The terrorists took 10 hostages and held them in an airport rest-room for 18 hours, until French and Egyptian diplomats arranged for an escape jet.

"The three men are now in custody and are being questioned by the authorities concerned," Iraqi officials told UPI in a telephone conversation.

The three-man French crew of the plane were returning to Paris. The officials said they had "no information" on the likely fate of the three terrorists. The Iraqi Government issued a statement in Paris condemning the action, saying it allowed the French plane to land "for humanitarian reasons, and out of consideration for its friendship with France."

The terrorists first landed in Baghdad late on Monday, but took off again after refuelling. They demanded to be flown to Jeddah in Saudi Arabia, but airport sources said they were refused permission to land.

AIRPORTS CLOSE

Other airports in the Arabian Peninsula shut down to prevent the terrorists from attempting a landing. But they were granted permission to land on their second bid in Iraq.

PLO chairman Yasser Arafat yesterday cabled French President Valery Giscard d'Estaing expressing "regret" and condemnation of the Orly attack. "Palestinians could never condone such acts whatever their motive or objective," Arafat said.

In Cairo, "Al Ahram" newspaper described the attack as "a bullet which failed to hit its target and hit the Arab chest."

Such acts directly helped enemy plans, "Al Ahram" said.

The Egyptian government organ "Al Gomhouriya" asked: "For whose benefit do these operations take place? Certainly not the Arabs. The PLO should try these culprits" and forgo attacks on civilian airliners, "even Israeli aircraft," it said.

'PROTEST' ATTACK

Beirut's "An Nahar" newspaper yesterday said the terror operation was mounted "in protest against Israeli attacks on Lebanon."

The newspaper said it had received a written statement, signed merely by "Arab Revolutionaries" claiming responsibility for the Orly attack.

The statement said the action by the "Mohammed Boudia unit" of the group was code-named the "South Lebanon operation."

The "Arab Revolutionaries" hit out at Lebanese authorities for allegedly failing to protect the south against Israel, and at the PLO for condemning the Orly operation.

The statement alleged that "certain organs" of the French security service had shown complicity in the killing of three Arab leaders in Paris, Mohammed Boudia, after whom the terrorists called themselves, Mahmoud al Hamshari, the former head of the PLO office in Paris and Bassel Kubeissi of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine (PFLP). *(AP, UPI)*

Cambodians lived underground, ate cats and dogs

SIEGE LIFTS AFTER 8 MONTHS

PHNOM PENH. — About 8,000 people lived in underground bunkers for more than eight months and had to resort to eating cats and dogs in the longest siege by Communist-led insurgents of the Cambodian war, field reports said yesterday.

The reports said that all the inhabitants of the garrison town of Kompong Seila, 119 kms. south-west of here, lived underground in strongly-built bunkers during an eight-month siege. The town, which was relieved nine days ago, had been destroyed by a daily average of 200-300 rounds of mortar and artillery fire, they added.

A medical corps lieutenant, helped by two assistants whom he trained himself, tended the sick and wounded and carried out surgery in a bunker converted into a hospital.

Some 300 wounded were still in serious condition and about 500 other people were suffering from malaria, according to the reports.

The besieged population lived on pigs, ducks and chickens when the town was first isolated in May, last year, but later started eating cats and dogs, although they received supplies by parachute.

In fighting yesterday, elite Government troops sent to guard dangerous sections of the Mekong River shipping channel suffered heavy losses and an ammunition convoy scheduled to try to run to Phnom Penh was reported still in South Vietnamese waters, shipping sources said.

The convoy of tugboats pulling seven ammunition barges did not attempt to run through a 72-kms. gauntlet of Cambodian Communist fire to the capital, diplomatic sources said.

In Vietnam, Saigon's forces yesterday reported killing 141 Communists in heavy fighting near Danang, South Vietnam's second largest city.

The Saigon command said two government soldiers were killed and 16 wounded on Monday in throwing back three infantry assaults by the Communists near Que Son, 40 kms. south of Danang.

It said 293 Communists were killed throughout South Vietnam's four military regions during the 24 hours ending at dawn yesterday. Government losses were put at 75 killed, 26 wounded, and 27 missing in action.

At the United Nations, Sweden suggested on Monday that $2.9m. in UN development aid not being used by Saigon be channelled to the Vietcong. The U.S. moved to block the transfer.

The flap arose less than a week after UN Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim and Switzerland upset Washington by agreeing that the Vietcong's Provisional Revolutionary Government (PRG) should open a liaison office in Geneva to facilitate its getting aid from the UN Children's Fund (Unicef) and the UN High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR). *(AP, UPI, Reuter)*

Former deputy-premier Stylianos Pattakos (back seat, right), man in the Greek dictatorship, arrives at an Athens jail yes where he will be held until his trial for treason. (AP radi

Papadopoulos and four associates go to jail

ATHENS (UPI). — Former dictator George Papadopoulos and four of his former lieutenants were jailed yesterday pending trial on charges of high treason and insurrection.

Papadopoulos, his former deputy premiers Stylianos Pattakos and Nicholas Makarezos, former minister of public order Ioanis Ladas and intelligence chief Michael Roufogalis disembarked at day from a Greek navy torpedo boat on which they spent the night, and were driven by police to Korydallos prison in Piraeus.

The former junta leaders boarded the torpedo boat on Monday evening from the Aegean island of Kea where they have been in exile for almost four months.

The junta leaders were taken to the Greek mainland by the torpedo boat "Evniki" after remaining offshore for over six hours to await nightfall. They were then taken to Korydallos prison near Piraeus, the port city adjoining Athens. hundreds of their own polit ponents had been jailed dur dictatorship.

Each of the leading jun was put in a separate poli ringed by security forces, sped into the courtyard of t prison. Reporters were kept the gate with dozens of peo said they had gathered to the junta leaders. They had fires to keep warm as they through the night for the fir arrival.

The heavy prison door clo hind Papadopoulos and his as within minutes of their arri

Also in Korydallos since la is ex-General Dimitrios Ior the former regime's strongm head of the military polic overthrew Papadopoulos in coup in November 1973. H faces high treason and insu charges.

Rebels saw up U.S. 'copter, carry it away

VIENTIANE, Laos (AP). — Somebody with a hacksaw and a grudge against Americans has stolen a $300,000 American helicopter. He sawed it up into little pieces and carried it away.

The helicopter had made a forced landing 72 kms north of Vientiane on Saturday evening after being hit by Communist ground fire and was left in a small village until a repair team could go in and get it. It was there on Sunday and Monday. Yesterday, it was gone.

A pilot who flew over the scene said everything had been carried off. The few items that were too big to carry had been burned.

The helicopter, a sleek four-seater Bell Jet Ranger, was owned by Bird Air, an Oakland, California, company, and was under charter to the U.S. Agency for International Development.

The two Americans aboard were picked up by a rescue chopper soon after the incident, only minutes ahead of pursuing Pathet Lao soldiers.

Americans here feel the Pathet Lao may have been "good and mad" to find nobody at the scene. "Whoever it was, it was just so damn pointless," said one source.

The U.S. Embassy will make an official protest to the Lao coalition government this week, U.S. embassy sources said.

Call for inquiry into CIA

FBI chief admits probe of some Congressmen

WASHINGTON. — FBI director Clarence M. Kelley acknowledged yesterday that his agency maintains files on members of Congress that include unsubstantiated allegations volunteered by members of the public, but denied that such information is misused.

Charges that the FBI is improperly soliciting information about members of Congress or misusing information in FBI files concerning them are "erroneous and without any basis in fact," Kelley said in a statement to reporters.

Kelley said the FBI solicits information about Congressmen only when they are the subjects of an investigation or during a security check for a job in the executive or judiciary branches of government. All information, solicited and unsolicited, is kept in FBI files, Kelley said.

Meanwhile the Senate is gearing up for the first thorough probe of the Central Intelligence Agency since its creation 27 years ago. The Senate Democratic caucus, brushing aside concern that the investigation would infringe upon the jurisdiction of already established committees, voted 45 to seven on Monday to set up a committee similar to the one which probed the Watergate affair.

The full Senate, where Democrats have a 61 to 39 majority over Republicans, is expected to approve the resolution this week.

The special committee would have a broad mandate to look into the CIA's alleged illegal involvement in domestic spying and reported murder of foreigners and even of its own agents.

Counter-intelligence programmes of the Federal Bureau of Investigation would also be probed.

The sweeping investigation would also examine the necessity for covert intelligence activities both at home and abroad.

The Central Intelligence Agency's director, William Colby, meanwhile was due to testify at a closed-door Senate Armed Services Committee yesterday on the agency's overseas operations.

Senate sources said that during Monday's closed-door session, Democratic caucus members were told by at least one senator that there was considerable substantive evidence the CIA might have been involved in assassinating foreigners and there had been rumours that low-level officials had contracted Mafia-type gunmen to murder CIA employees. *(AP, Reuter)*

Death toll in Indian quake rises to 49

NEW DELHI (AP). — Air Force officers who flew by helicopter to earthquake-stricken Himalayan villages said yesterday that some victims are still being pulled out of the debris two days after the tremor.

The Death toll from Sunday's 30-second shock along the Indo-Tibetan border stood at 49, but Air Force spokesmen warned it could rise as outlying settlements were reached.

The Northern India Military Commander, Lieut-Gen. T.N. Raina, toured the hardest hit areas, about 3,000 metres high, some 360 kilometres north of New Delhi. His spokesmen reported that up to 80 per cent of the roads have been damaged and helicopter flights were slowed by snowfall.

The tremor registered 7.2 on the open-ended Richter Scale, equalling the quake that killed more than 5,500 people in Pakistan's Karakoram region on December 29.

Embassy siege in Athens continues

ATHENS (Reuter). — Several hundred students yesterday kept up a siege of the British Embassy in protest against British policy on Cyprus.

The students burned bonfires on Monday night to stay warm as they maintained another all-night vigil outside the embassy in central Athens.

A strong force of police guarded the bulding.

On Monday night the students, most of them Greek-Cypriots, attempted to storm the building after embassy officials refused to accept a resolution condemning the British Government's decision to allow the evacuation to Turkey of Turkish-Cypriot refugees sheltering at the British sovereign base of Akrotiri in Cyprus.

Sixth marriage for Zsa Zsa

HOLLYWOOD (Reuter). — Five-times-married film actress Zsa Zsa Gabor announced here that she will marry millionaire toy designer Jack Ryan in Las Vegas today.

Among 55-year-old Miss Gabor's former husbands were the late actor George Sanders, and hotelier Conrad Hilton. She was "Miss Hungary" in 1936.

Mr. Ryan is the designer of the Barbie doll, which has made a fortune for the Los Angeles toy-making company Mattel Inc.

Chou advises the Japanese

Beware of Soviet pl

PEKING (Reuter). — Chinese Premier Chou En-lai's advice to Japan to seek closer ties with the U.S. reflects a major aim of Chinese foreign policy — to isolate its archenemy, the Soviet Union, observers here said yesterday.

Chou, who gave this advice to a visiting Japanese politician, Shigeru Hori, during a 70-minute meeting here on Monday, also urged Japan to think carefully before becoming involved in Soviet plans to develop and exploit the mineral-rich region of Siberia.

At the same time as Mr. Hori, an influential member of the conservative wing of Japan's ruling Liberal Democratic Party, came to Peking last week, Japanese Foreign Minister Kiichi Miyazawa went to Moscow for negotiations on the long-delayed Soviet-Japanese peace treaty.

Japan is walking something of a tightrope between the Soviet Union and China, with both seeking Japanese economic assistance and p friendship, observers said.

Japan has so far refused t to the Soviet Union's idea o ing an "Asian collective s system," much to the relief of which sees the proposed sys a Soviet scheme aimed at su ing and isolating it.

China has given strong sup the Japanese in their dema the Soviet Union hand bac islands off Northern Japan were occupied by the Russians end of World War II and remained a bone of contentio since.

Japan's insistence that the of the islands be an integra of the peace treaty, reiterated Foreign Minister in talks w Soviet opposite number, Mr. Gromyko, last week, makes likely the negotiations will b cluded successfully in the ne ture, observers believe.

Bubble flies in the air as firemen flee from a blast at an aluminium plant in Yao City, central Japan, yesterday. Eighteen people were injured. (AP radiophoto)

13 die in locked room blaze

MONTREAL (AP). — Ten men and three women died early yesterday in a night club fire that apparently was an underworld "settling of accounts," police said.

Firemen fighting the blaze in the Gargantua club, in Montreal's East End, found the 13 bodies piled two and three deep among crates of bottles in a padlocked storage room measuring two square metres, the police spokesman said.

He said no shots had been fired and all the dead appeared to have been asphyxiated. Police believed the fire was started deliberately.

SADAT ON ORLY

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ing with apparent impunity in France.

Henri Amouroux, editor-in-chief of the mass-circulation "France Soir," wrote in a front-page editorial: "Except in Israel, the Soviet Union and in China — I imagine — the terrorists run practically no risk. If they are arrested, they know that another attack will very quickly bring about their release." He added: "You will soon see theft and kidnapping being taught as serious subjects at the Sorbonne and why not?"

The conservative newspaper "L'Aurore," which is noted for its pro-Israeli sympathies, published a front-page photograph taken by a sightseer, who was slightly wounded during Sunday's raid, of a terrorist about to fire a rocket launcher at the El Al jumbo jet.

In an editorial "L'Aurore" said: "Although the worst was avoided, the Orly tragedy leaves us with a bitter, almost intolerable after-taste. French public opinion is tired, disappointed and embittered. People are aware they have been shunted into a precarious and dangerous direction.

"For eight years successive governments in Paris have ceaselessly tried to give credit to the theory of a 'self-confident and dominating' Jewish state which refused to allow the poor and harmless Palestinians the right to exist.

"Involuntarily, perhaps, efforts were made to explain, understand and justify terrorism in its most execrable form: aircraft hijackings, seizures of hostages, while equating kidnapping and murder with genuine acts of valour."

"L'Aurore" concluded: "France's pro-Arab foreign policy would certainly not stand up for long to a wave of terrorism flooding our own territory."

"Le Monde," yesterday published a cartoon by its resident artist "Konk" depicting a terror-stricken child — obviously representing the girl hostage seized at Orly — with her hands raised in front of an Arab who is pointing a sub-machine-gun at her back. In file behind the Arab, and also with their tommy-guns at the ready, march an Israeli soldier with a Star of David on his helmet and a German wearing a World War II Wehrmacht helmet.

Commenting on the cartoon a senior Israel Embassy official told The Post: *"This cartoon is revolting. We are scandalized by this manner of putting Arab terrorists, Nazis and Israelis on the same footing as terrorizing innocent children." He added: "However, the embassy has decided not to protest to 'Le Monde.' This newspaper surpasses itself every day in its anti-Israeli editorial policy. In our eyes, 'Le Monde' is just another Arab newspaper."*

At the UN, Israel for the second time in four days has complained to Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim about the Orly attacks. The latest complaint came on Monday in a letter from Israel Ambassador Yosef Tekoah in which he drew Waldheim's "attention to yet another attack by Arab murder agents on an El Al Israel airplane at the Paris Orly airport which is the second such attack in one week."

Industrial unrest sweeps Nigeri

LAGOS (Reuter). — Nigerian hospital and banking services returned to normal yesterday after medical staff and bank workers decided to end strikes in support of pay demands.

The strikes, which disrupted the country's commercial banking and medical services, were called off on Monday night after doctors' and bank workers' representatives met government conciliators.

Nigeria's military rulers have been battling to stem the biggest industrial unrest in Nigeria since the army seized power in 1966. Strikes by dockers and truck drivers early this month, the industrial action by doctors and employees which ended on day, and threats by various workers' unions and groups wrecked the country's ind peace.

The major cause of the industrial agitation, in spite government ban on strikes lock-outs, was the new wa creases for civil servants ann by the federal governme December 28.

The increases were hailed New Year "bonanza" when were announced. But p multiplied as details of the salary structure were re

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Soviets deploying nuclear planes over S.W. Russia and Black Sea

ASHINGTON (AP). — U.S. in-ligence sources say the Rus-ns have started deploying a w long-range supersonic bomb- that may be an issue in the t stage of U.S.-Soviet negotia-ns on limiting nuclear weapons.

They said a small number of the w bombers, code-named "Back-" have appeared at a Soviet force base in southwestern Rus- and a Soviet naval base in Black Sea region.

Although the Soviet move was pected, the first deployment of swing-wing Backfire could shar- a controversy which might de- final U.S.-Soviet agreement on bing nuclear arms.

Government officials said the sta- of the new bomber was not re-ved when President Gerald Ford d Soviet Communist chief Leonid ezhnev agreed last November on framework of a 10-year pact stricting each country to 2,400 ategic missiles and heavy bomb-s.

These officials indicated the U.S. ay press for inclusion of the Back- under this ceiling, when U.S. d Russian diplomats meet in Ge-va starting January 31 to work ward a formal signing of the reement later this year.

The Russians are expected to op-se counting the Backfire within e 2,400 missile-bomber limit.

A main point of dispute seems be whether the Backfire is an tercontinental weapon which could reaten the United States.

For years, as they monitored de-elopment of the bomber, U.S. ex-rts were unable to decide whe-er the Russians intended the Back-re for use against the U.S. or gainst peripheral areas such as estern Europe and China.

Some felt its 8,000-kms. combat radius unrefuelled was too limited for effective use against the continental United States.

But others noted that, with refuelling by aerial tankers en route to and from target, the Backfire could represent a threat to the U.S. heartland. The Soviet nuclear striking force, however, can now cover the entire Middle East.

Admiral Thomas Moorer, then chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, told Congress last winter that the Backfire "is expected ... to be employed on both peripheral and intercontinental missions."

Last October, about a month before the Vladivostok meeting between Ford and Brezhnev, Defence Department research chief Malcolm Currie in a speech warned of the Backfire's potential intercontinental reach and listed the plane among a number of major strategic weapons due to join Russia's nuclear striking forces.

The first deployment of about 18 Backfires in southwest Russia and the Black Sea region suggests that these aircraft, at least, are currently intended for less than intercontinental missions.

The remainder of the 35 Backfires now with Soviet forces are said to be spread among training and test bases.

K.C. Thaler reports in a UPI dispatch from London:

The Soviet Union has developed a short-range submarine-launched ballistic missile for use against naval targets, such as the powerful American aircraft carriers and submarines, defence experts said yesterday.

Few details are available so far, but the development was said to have added a new and dangerous dimension to the problem of nuclear offensive weapons strategy.

Until recently, Soviet strategy has aimed at long-range submarine-launched ballistic missiles that could hit distant targets from the relative safety of mobile, hard-to-detect submarines. Russia was reported only recently to have tested a submarine-launched rocket with a range exceeding 7,200 kms. These are to be deployed in Russia's newest Delta-type long-distance nuclear submarines.

The short-range missile, launchable from submarines, appears aimed mainly against naval targets. It poses a threat to warships, above all to the powerful American aircraft carriers, long feared and resented by Soviet strategists, the experts said.

Russia has no aircraft carriers, but is understood to have two under construction. The Soviet Navy has two major helicopter-carrying cruisers which have made their appearance in the Mediterranean and in the Indian Ocean.

Soviet naval experts have reportedly argued with their political leaders that the availability of large aircraft carriers has enabled the U.S. to make use of its military strength on a global scale, while Russia was severely handicapped by the absence of a similar potential.

According to defence experts, the Soviet move toward a short-range submarine-launched ballistic missile has been prompted by the fact that Russia has plenty of land-based long-range intercontinental ballistic missiles. Russia has boasted in the past she can reach any target with these rockets.

Russia is known to have even more advanced rockets and, according to the Pentagon, has lately begun to deploy them. They are heavier than comparable American rockets and have a greater throw-weight (heavier warheads) equipped with multiple warheads (Mirv).

The experts stressed that Russia is by no means curbing the development of long-range submarine-launched missiles Russia is known to be pushing with great determination to catch up with U.S. developments.

Men at work inside the Channel tunnel on Monday, minutes before Britain's Environment Minister told the House of Commons that the Government was not prepared to go through with the project. (AP radiophoto)

Pravda' lauds collective leadership

MOSCOW. — The Communist Party organ "Pravda" yesterday reaffirmed the virtues of collective party leadership and suggested that the party tighten up its organization.

In a major theoretical article falling on the 51st anniversary of Lenin's death, "Pravda" criticized slackers and called for an influx of new blood into party ranks.

The power of party leadership is in its collectivity, the article said.

"Experience teaches that steadfast implementation of the Leninist principle of collectivity insures a genuine unity and cohesion of party leadership, the development of initiative and the activity of widening party masses."

The article by P. Rodionov, deputy director of the Marxist-Leninist Institute, appeared at a time when party chief Leonid Brezhnev had not been seen in public for nearly a month. Brezhnev, considered in recent years to be the first among equals in the collective leadership, is rumoured to be ill, but Soviet authorities have refused to confirm or deny the persistent reports about his health.

(Moscow observers yesterday discounted reports from Warsaw that Brezhnev had a heart attack on December 19, since he was seen in public the following day and again five days later.)

The 3,800-word "Pravda" article yesterday mentioned Brezhnev just once, quoting him in the preface as saying that the country must fashion new work methods.

"A real collective leadership involves not only freedom of discussion but a struggle to fulfill jointly adopted decisions for implementing the political course of the party," "Pravda" said.

The principle of collectivity has regularly been stressed since Nikita Khrushchev was ousted from power in October, 1964, and replaced by the trio of Brezhnev, Premier Alexei Kosygin and President Nikolai Podgorny. *(AP, Reuter)*

Salaries going up despite 'social contract'

UK wage rises spur fears of catastrophe

LONDON (UPI). — Britain's wage packets have rocketed right through the ceiling, adding a new dimension to the country's soaring inflation.

Government figures show that actual earnings of British workers have doubled since January, 1970, and went up 25.3 per cent in the last year alone.

Basic pay rates have taken off still faster.

They leaped 28.5 per cent in 1974, compared with a mere 11 per cent in 1973. Wage inflation has soared past the inflation in prices, which is up 19.1 per cent in 1974.

All this is very bad news for Prime Minister Harold Wilson's Labour government, which won two Parliamentary general elections last year on pledges to crack down on inflation in Britain.

Economic commentators already are predicting a tough national budget in March, with tax and other measures designed to take some of the heat out of inflation before it becomes catastrophic.

Chancellor of the Exchequer Denis Healey, the man primarily responsible for the nation's financial health, hinted at as much in a television interview.

"Unless we are prepared to make sacrifices, not only in our living standards but in our way of life, we may not get through the crisis," Healey warned.

But Healey, like Wilson and other Labour government ministers, continues to reject any return to legally enforceable pay and price curbs, like those imposed by the Nixon Administration in the U.S., or by the Conservative Party government of former Prime Minister Edward Heath three years ago.

The Wilson government, which relies for much of its support on Britain's big trade unions, is under continuous pressure from them to do nothing to curb their freedom of wage bargaining.

The Government's whole policy in fighting inflation remains geared to the so called "social contract" with the Labour unions, under which the unions promised to try to limit pay increases to the same level as price increases.

But the Government's own figures published this week showed that one worker in every four during the past year won a pay raise that breached the "social contract."

French resigned to dropping of Channel scheme

PARIS (Reuter). — The French Government has reacted with resignation to Britain's decision to abandon the Channel tunnel project which would have linked the two countries by 1981.

But the decision, announced in the House of Commons on Monday by Environment Secretary Anthony Crosland, did not provoke the stiff French criticism expected.

A statement issued by French Secretary of State for Transport Marcel Cavaille said France regretted the abandonment of the project and considered the problems raised as not insoluble.

The French Government would have wished "to complete this great venture in accordance with the agreements signed... with the British Government," the statement went on.

The French Communist Party newspaper, "L'Humanité," said the tunnel project was competing with other projects for limited capital and "the French Government discreetly came round to considering the project not indispensable after all. The English had the good grace to pull out first."

IRA gunman dies in clash

BELFAST (UPI). — British troops killed a suspected IRA gunman during an abortive hijack attempt near the Irish Republic's border early yesterday.

It was the most serious incident in Northern Ireland in 28 days. It came at a time when the IRA ruling Army Council was deciding whether to resume all-out war in the province and in Britain or restore the cease-fire called off last week after 25 days.

An army spokesman said a routine border patrol fought a gunbattle with nine IRA suspects who were attempting to hijack a bus 1.6 km from the border in County Fermanagh. One IRA suspect was killed but the others, including one believed to be wounded, fled across the border, the spokesman said.

Republican sources said the seven-man Army Council in Dublin was under pressure from IRA Provisionals in Northern Ireland to reopen a campaign of all-out war with the British.

Britain had insisted on an open-ended cease-fire before releasing a substantial number of IRA detainees held without trial. Release of the detainees and all "political prisoners" was one of the IRA's key conditions for a continued cease-fire.

U.S. holds back on Libyan planes

WASHINGTON (UPI). — The State Department has held up delivery of eight 131-cargo planes to Libya while awaiting a policy ruling by Secretary of State Henry Kissinger, officials said on Monday.

The planes, for which Libya paid $70m., were manufactured by the Lockheed Corporation. Libya also was said to be interested in purchasing a $200m. air defence system, buying computers from Westinghouse and radar from the Northrop Corp. But these transactions are also being held up. In addition, Libya hopes to purchase $100m. more in cargo aircraft.

The officials said delivery of the eight planes would have to wait for an overall improvement in U.S.-Libyan relations, explaining that Libya's Col. Gaddafi has been "extremely hostile" and "a backer of the radical wing of the Palestinian Liberation Movement."

CABINET CRISIS AVERTED

Lisbon Communists win fight for single union

LISBON (UPI). — The coalition cabinet met yesterday to discuss details of a Communist-sponsored labour law that at one point threatened to topple the Portuguese government.

The ministers approved the proposal for a single labour union in principle on Monday night, despite the opposition of the two non-Communist civilian parties represented in the government.

The draft law has been heavily pushed by the Portuguese Communist Party (PCP), whose followers have virtually taken control of the unions since the April 25 coup.

The Portuguese Socialist Party (PSP) and the left-of-centre Portuguese Democratic Party (PPD) initially threatened to resign from the cabinet over the issue, but stopped short of taking this step when the measure won majority approval in principle in a cabinet vote.

The three PSP and PPD ministers said they all voted against the proposal, but would abide by majority rule to preserve governmental unity.

The survival of the cabinet in the crisis was seen by politicians as a signal victory for Prime Minister Victor Goncalves. Political sources said he appears to have broken the deadlock in unprecedented private meetings he held with key ministers before Monday's formal cabinet session opened.

A decision by the ruling Armed Forces Movement (MFA) to endorse the measure last week provoked mass demonstrations and predictions among politicians that the government might fall.

$ falls in Zurich

ZURICH (AP). — The dollar was near its record low against the Swiss franc yesterday in spite of new support from the Swiss National Bank.

In late inter-bank trading, the dollar middle rate was at 2.5105 Swiss francs, eight tenths of a centime over the bottom mark set on December 30. The quote meant an overnight loss by 1.95 centimes.

Gold was traded at $177.25 an ounce, $2.75 above Monday's close.

Dutch song pokes fun at Arabs

THE HAGUE (Reuter). — The honorary consul of Kuwait in Holland, Mahmoud Salim Rabbani, has condemned a Dutch carnival song poking fun at the Arabs as being "vulgar and infantile with racialist and Fascist elements," calling it "a provocation of a nation of 130 million."

The song, written and recorded by popular Dutch ballad singer, Pierre Kartner, whose stage name is "Father Abraham," is titled "What are we to do with those Arabs here?" and the refrain asks whether Arabs are to be trusted at all.

A Foreign Ministry spokesman here also condemned the song yesterday, saying "We consider the song in extremely bad taste, to say the least."

PLO will sign P-o-W pacts

BEIRUT (UPI). — The Palestine Liberation Organization has decided to sign the Geneva Convention agreements on prisoners-of-war.

Palestinian sources yesterday said that Farouk Kaddoumi, director of the political department of the PLO, notified the Swiss government in a letter last month that his organization had decided to sign all Geneva agreements dealing with prisoners-of-war, the wounded, the sick and civilians in time of war.

Afghanistan wants a PLO office

KUWAIT (UPI). — Afghanistan has invited the Palestine Liberation Organization to open an office in Kabul.

Ending a three day visit to Kuwait yesterday, special Afghanistani envoy Mohammed Naseem, yesterday said his government had notified PLO leader Yasser Arafat that it would be willing to authorize the opening of a PLO office in the Afghanistani capital.

Manescu for Syria

DAMASCUS (UPI). — Rumanian Premier Manea Manescu will visit Syria later this month.

Hussein 'first to recognise' PLO exile gov't

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

PARIS. — King Hussein of Jordan said in an interview published here Monday: "I will be the first person to recognise the provisional government in exile which Mr. Yasser Arafat might be led to set up."

The Jordan monarch told "Le Monde" Middle East editor, Eric Rouleau, in Amman: "I unreservedly support the Palestinian Liberation Organization as the sole and legitimate representative of the Palestinian people. I will support it with all my strength to enable it to obtain the right to establish an independent national entity."

Asked how he would act if the Arab governments urged him to assume the role of the PLO, the king replied: "I hope we do not reach this stage. But if such a request were addressed to me, I would not fail to give it consideration."

Hussein denounced what he called Israel's "uncompromising attitude" and said a genuine peace between Israel and the Arabs would be possible if the Israelis restored their 1967 conquests.

Asked whether he would accept a separate peace between Israel and Egypt, the Jordanian ruler said: "Every Arab Head of State has the right to act individually and to choose the means which will enable him to recover every piece of territory occupied by Israel. I shall never be an obstacle to any step which could bring us closer to a just and lasting peace."

Heykal: U.S. seeks Arab front split

DAMASCUS (Reuter). — The United States was trying to split the Arab front against Israel, Mohammed Hassanein Heykal, former editor of "Al-Ahram," said in an interview published here yesterday.

In the interview with the semi-official daily newspaper "Al-Thawra," Heykal was quoted as saying that U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger was attempting "to split the Arab front... through diplomacy." He said he foresaw a fifth Arab-Israeli war as Dr. Kissinger "has failed to formulate a full picture for a Middle East peace settlement" and charged him with trying to isolate the Egyptian and Syrian fronts from one another.

Heykal, who is on a tour of Arab capitals, left Damascus for Amman last night.

Court battle over Saudi's bid to invest in U.S. bank

SAN FRANCISCO (AP). — A Saudi Arabian multimillionaire's bid to buy a one-third interest in the First National Bank of San Jose is to be contested in court today by a dissident minority of the bank's board of directors.

Adnan Khashoggi, 39, American-educated head of the multinational Triad Holding Corp., said in a Paris interview last week that the efforts to block his stock purchase could cool Arab interest in investing oil wealth in America.

He filed suit last week asking an injunction to bar Louis B. Sullivan from soliciting stockholder proxies against the $14.1m. offer to buy 650,000 bank shares. The branch bank system has $306m. in assets.

Khashoggi's suit charged that Sullivan, one of five directors opposing the deal favoured by the bank's management and nine directors, unlawfully solicited proxies without required filings with the comptroller of currency.

Sullivan, San Jose insurance executive, has declined public comment since a January 6 statement in which he declared Khashoggi had intimidated the bank management.

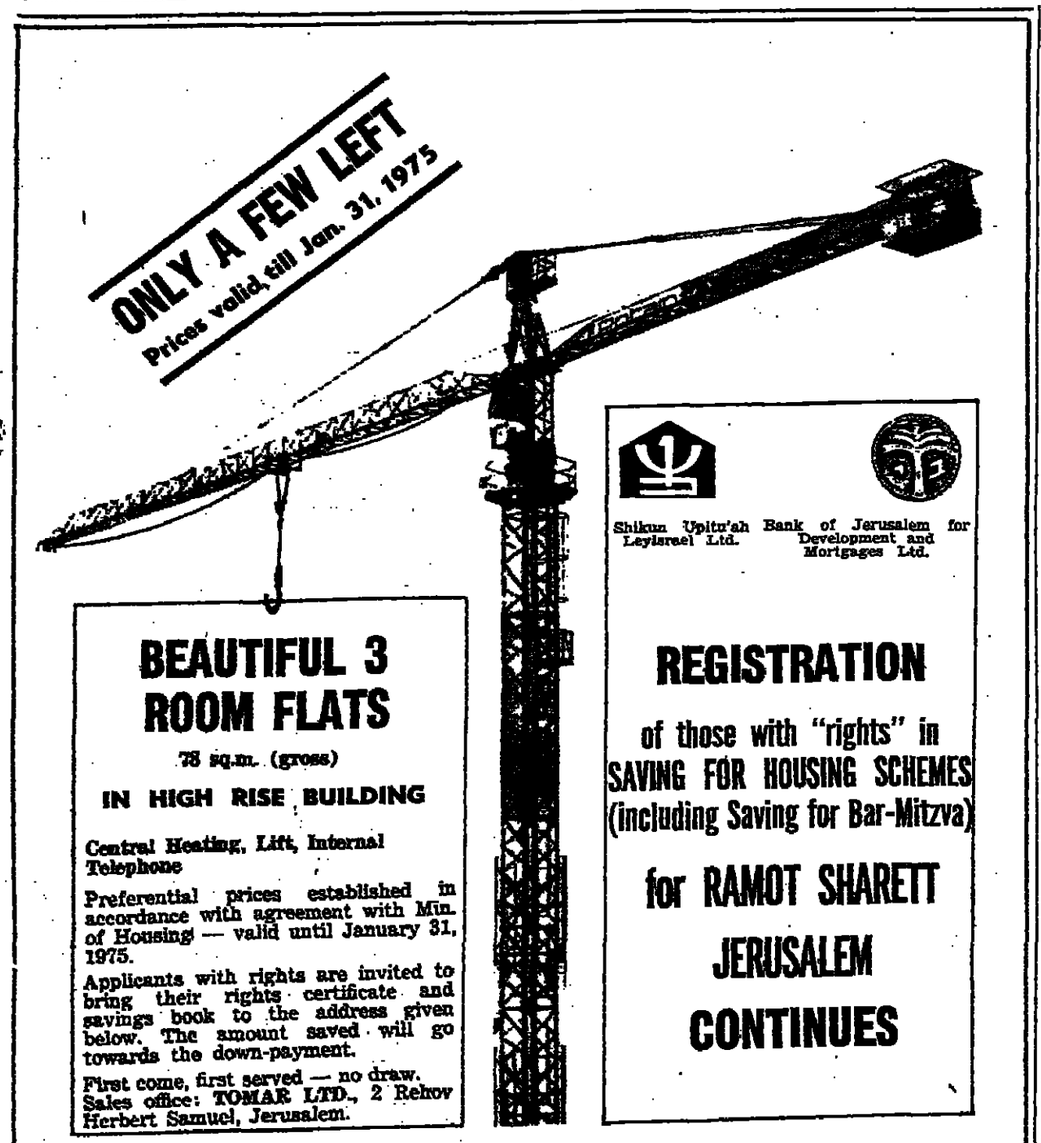
A special share-holders meeting will vote on January 31 on Khashoggi's offer. Approval will require a two-thirds majority.

In Los Angeles yesterday, a U.S. Treasury official said the Arab nations lack the desire and facilities to manage American companies and merely want to make investments in the U.S. economy.

Gerald Parsky, an assistant Secretary of the Treasury who returned two weeks ago from a round of talks with Arab leaders, told a news conference: "The Arabs view themselves like any institutional investor seeking a diverse portfolio of investments which will yield the best long-term return.

"I have found a willingness (by the Arabs) to move more into long-term equity investments, real estate and direct investments in U.S. industry, but there is a reluctance on their part until a U.S. foreign investment policy is better defined."

Parsky said oil-producing countries directly invested about $11,000m. in the U.S. in 1974. *(AP, Reuter)*



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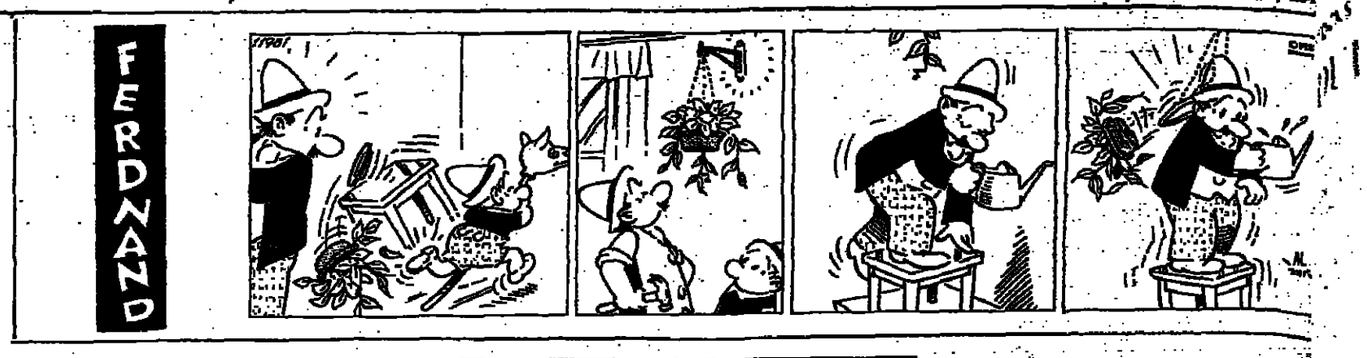

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Newsreels: 7.05 p.m.
2nd Programme: 6.05, 7.00, 8.00, 9.00, 10.00, 11.00, 12.00, 1.00 p.m., 2.00, 3.00, 4.00, 5.00, 6.00, 9.00, 10.00 and midnight and 1.00 a.m.
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Galei Zahal: News: 6.00 a.m., 7.00, 8.00, 9.00, 10.00, 11.00, 12.00, 1.00 p.m., 2.00, 3.00, 4.00, 5.00, 6.00, 7.00, 8.00, 9.00, 10.00, 11.00, midnight, 1.00 a.m., 2.00, 3.00, 4.00 and 5.00.
Newsreels: 8.05 a.m., 12.05 and 5.05 p.m. and 12.05 a.m.

FIRST PROGRAMME
252, 522 and 221 M.
7.58 a.m. Opening. 8.10 "Morning Concert" — Fasch: Concerto for Trumpet, 2 Oboes & Orch.; Mozart: Divertimento, K. 563 (Trio Grumiaux). 9.05 Dvorak: Slavonic Dance in A; Saint-Saens: Cello Concerto (Fournier); Grieg: Symphonic Dances (Gould). 10.05 Tailleferre: Harp Concertino (Zabaleta); Hirooki Ogawa: "Le Chateau du Japon." 11.00 News in easy Hebrew. 11.05 Ivrit La'am. 11.15 Programme for Elementary Schools. 11.35 Song and Melody. 12.15 Programmes for Elementary Schools. 12.35 Poulenc: Sonata for 2 Clarinets; Sonata for Clarinet and Piano. 1.05 Midday Concert — J. Feld: Flute Concerto (Rampal); Prokofiev: "Scythian Suite" (Bernstein). 2.10 Mother and Child. 3.05 "Radiodea" — Improving your knowledge. 3.30 Guidance for Teachers. 3.50 Book Review. 4.10 A Moment of Hebrew. 4.11 Quiz. 5.10 Wind Bands. 5.40 Quiz. 6.05 People and Figures. 6.30 "The World of an Adult." 6.55 For the Farmer. 7.05 "Today." 7.25 Light Music. 7.50 Bible Reading: Yeshayahu, chaps. 63 and 64. 8.05 Radio Chess Competition. 8.07 (Stereo) Ives: Trio (1904); Beethoven: Trio op. 97 (from Music Weeks in Ascona). 9.20 Cantorial Request Programme. 10.05 "The Story of a File." 11.05 "My Concert" — (Zubin Mehta). 12.10 A Moment of Poetry. 12.13 Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME
457, 423, 249, 256 and 340 M.
5.58 a.m. Opening. 6.00 Religious Service. 6.10 Exercises. 6.20 Musical Clock. 6.55 Programme Announcements. 6.59 A Moment of Hebrew. 7.05 "This Morning." 7.35 Hebrew Songs. 7.55 "Green Light." 8.10 Announcements. 8.15 "Good Morning." 8.55 "This Country." 9.05 "Good Morning" (cont.). 10.05 "Here at Home." 11.40 Where to go and light music. 12.05 Programme for the Worker and the Employer. 12.30 Hebrew Songs.
1.05 p.m. "At Midday." 2.10 This is Ehud Manor. 3.52 "Names and Events in the Jewish Scene." 4.10 A Moment of Hebrew. 4.11 "Songs from the Big Screen." (cont.). 5.10 "From Me Mani." 6.05 Songs from Father's Home. 6.55 Announcements. 9.05 "I'm a new Oleh." 9.30 Jazz. 10.05 "Till Midnight in Haifa." 12.05 "A Night of Stars." 1.05 Close Down.

ISRAEL TELEVISION SERVICE
5.30 News. 5.32 "The Partridge Family." 6.00 Cartoons. 8.00 Nanny and the Professor. 8.30 Mabat. 9.00 "Monocle Noir" — film. 10.35 News.
Educational: 7.50 With Professor Aaron Katzir. 8.15 Geometry 5. 10.00 English 9. 10.20 English 7. 10.45 English. 11.05 Biology 9. 11.25 English 8. 12.00 Technical Drawing 9. 12.20 Maths 6. 12.40 Stories. 1.00 Science/Physics 7. 1.25 A game on words 7-9. 4.00 For Kindergarteners. 4.17 Film. 4.42 Technical Drawing 9. 5.05 English.
Arabic: 6.30 News. 6.32 "The Story of..." 7.00 "The Short Story." 7.05 "Know Israel." 7.27 Programme Review. 7.30 News.

FIFTH PROGRAMME
455 M.
6.58 Opening. 7.00 News. 7.05 Song and Melody. 8.00 News. 8.05 Song and Melody.

IMMIGRANTS' HOUR
787, 423, 256, 249, 393 and 340 M.
7.00 a.m. (4th programme and short waves).
1.30-2.00 p.m. (4th programme and short waves);
6.00 (5th programme);
8.30-8.45 p.m. (4th programme);
10.00-10.55 p.m. (short waves).

ENGLISH NEWS AND PROGRAMMES
7.00 a.m. (4th programme and short waves);
1.30-2.00 p.m. (4th programme and short waves).
6.00 p.m. (4th programme);
8.30-8.45 (4th programme);
10.00-10.55 p.m. (short waves).

FRENCH NEWS AND PROGRAMMES
7.15 a.m. (4th programme and short waves);
11 a.m. (4th programme);
2.00-2.20 p.m. (4th programme and short waves); 6.05 p.m. (4th programme);
12.00-1.00 a.m. (short waves).
3rd Programme (short waves) — 15, 19, 25, 31, 33, 41 and 49 M.
4th Programme — 407, 455 and 292 M.

GALEI ZAHAL
234, 340 and 220 M.
5.58 a.m. Morning Prayer. 6.05 Morning tunes. 7.55 Programme Trailer. 8.05 Zahal's Newsreel. 9.05 Requests. 9.55 "Pocket Torch." 10.05 "Warm and Tasty." 10.55 With Uri Sela. 11.05 "Warm and Tasty" — Regards. 11.55 "My Scoop." 12.05 Zahal's Newsreel. 12.25 "Midday Star." 12.55 "Who Wins and Who Loses." 1.05 Entertainment Programme. 2.05 p.m. "Two till Four" — with Moshe Timor. 4.05 "Residents tell about Metula." 5.05 Zahal's Newsreel. 5.40 Tunes for Everybody. 5.55 Programme Trailer. 6.05 An Hour with Dr. Moshe Feldenkreis. 6.35 Foreign Hit Parade. 9.05 Weekly Concerts. 10.05 "Notes and Good Friends." 11.05 "The 'Bagana' Information Services." 12.05 Zahal's Diary. 12.30 A Radio Game. 1.05 Night Birds. 2.05 Light Music. 3.05-6.00 Tunes in the night.

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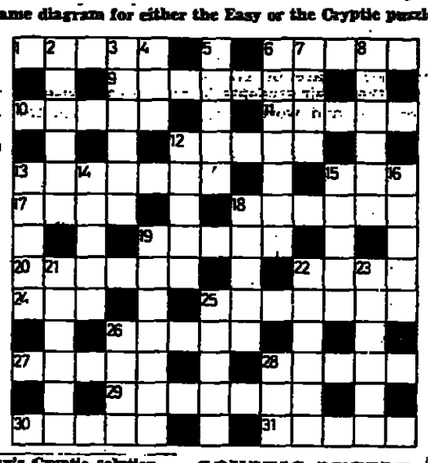
EASY PUZZLE

ACROSS
1 Pile (5)
6 Short and fat (5)
9 Very ugly (7)
10 Share out (5)
11 Poor (5)
12 Enticed (5)
13 Advantage (7)
15 Domestic animal (3)
17 Common metal (4)
18 Stubborn (6)
19 Satan (5)
20 Journey (6)
22 Male pig (4)
24 Brick-carrier (3)
25 Abridge (7)
26 Correct (5)
27 Deluge (5)
28 Very angry (5)
29 Fastens (7)
30 Attempted (5)
31 Informs (5)

DOWN
2 Bank employee (6)
3 Selected (6)
4 Equipment (3)
5 First appearance (5)
6 Melodious (7)
7 Second-hand (4)
8 Insignia (6)
12 Defamatory writing (5)
13 Inception (5)
14 Wanderer (5)
15 Airman (5)
16 Prickle (5)
18 Power (5)
19 Resolved (7)
21 Large wave (6)
22 Mark of a blow (6)
23 TV attachment (6)
25 Loud cry (5)
26 Stood up (4)
28 Leased (3)



Monday's Easy solution

ACROSS.—3, Obese. 8, Fatal. 10, Armed. 11, Dam. 12, Astir. 13, Rigidly. 15, Logic. 18, Nil. 19, Deride. 21, Reposed. 22, Alas. 23, Cell. 24, Pelican. 26, Opened. 29, Gap. 31, Tenor. 32, Thrifty. 34, Islet. 35, Tot. 36, Lasso. 37, Rapid. 38, Enemy.

DOWN.—1, Radio. 2, Famines. 4, Busy. 5, Sailed. 6, Error. 7, Tepid. 9, Tag. 12, Allowed. 14, Dip. 16, Given. 17, Cello. 19, Delight. 20, Sabre. 21, Haven. 23, Capital. 24, Person. 25, Car. 27, Petal. 28, Noise. 30, Attic. 32, Term. 33, Pop

Monday's Cryptic solution

ACROSS.—3, (C)Limbs. 8, Bat-on. 10, E-out-E. 11, You. 12, Rival. 13, Marbles. 15, Vents. 18, Leg. 19, CO-shed. 21, Retails. 22, Eves. 23, Drip(dry). 24, Airport. 26, Sand-RA. 29, P-ay. 31, End-or. 32, Perdita. 34, Major. 35, Ode(owed). 36, Women. 37, Scars. 38, Stool(pigeon).

DOWN.—1, Kayak(rev.). 2, Doubles. 4, Iris. 5, Braves. 6, Soles. 7, State. 9, Ter. 12, Reg-All-e. 14, (—)Let. 16, Short. 17, Ads-pt. 19, Clipper. 20, Verse. 21, Round. 23, Dry dock. 24, Arrant. 25, O-ar. 27, An-te-n. 28, Decree. 30, Stern. 33, Pole. 33, Ida.

CRYPTIC PUZZLE

ACROSS
1 Tight-fisted character? (5)
6 Repair area (5)
9 Like the weather in Monaco? (7)
10 Exceedingly risky speed? (5)
11 Carry out improvements requiring 12 hours to finish (5)
12 Odd but amusing (5)
13 Shoots of certain plants? (7)
15 Supplied with solid sustenance (3)
17 I name the day (4)
18 Walk a short way, then ride (6)
19 Do they take years to grow? (5)
20 Nestor to the shitter?? (6)
22 State a great deal (4)
24 In the normal way, a female (3)
25 Where Les is upset about the wicked (7)
26 Spring in the country (5)
27 Thousand-song girl (5)
28 Fruits of collective growing? (5)
29 Eat away (4, 3)
30 Give directions (5)
31 Under strain for a time (5)

DOWN
2 All for one team (6)
3 They're thin, stiff and starchy (6)
4 What's reduced, goes on top (3)
5 Landed Scot? (5)
6 Chicken-feed, in a sense (7)
7 Ah, me—it's the military! (4)
8 Deceived a girl and boy (6)
12 He's very good (at cooking?) (5)
14 Can't be green if it's black (5)
16 There's some hope for Ron as a politician (5)
15 The ultimate in sporting entertainment? (5)
18 Needs shaking, stupid! (5)
19 Odd, angular figure (5)
19 Lose hope of Des getting a a double (7)
21 Let out of a van in foreign parts (6)
22 Little more than a second (6)
23 As worn in lounges? (6)
25 You can buy eggs in them (5)
26 The part boarded? (4)
28 Contributor's objection (3)

SOLUTIONS TO TODAY'S PUZZLES ON FRIDAY

CINEMAS

JERUSALEM
4.00, 7.00, 9.00
ARNON — Bring Me the Head of Alfredo Garcia; CHEN — Martha; EDEN — Sniper against Sniper; EDISON — Dagdan Inme; HABIRAH — Thunderbolt and Lightfoot; JERUSALEM — Cat Ballou; MITCHELL — Last Decameron; ORGIL — Le Distrait; ORION — 11 Harrowhouse; ORNA — Death Wish; RON — I'll Cry Tomorrow; SEMADAR — The Godfather.

TEL AVIV
4.30, 7.15, 9.30
ALLENBY — Walking Tall; BEN YEHUDA — Les Petroleuses; CINEMA ONE — The Taking of Pelham One Two Three; CINEMA TWO — The Conversation 10, 12, 2, 4, 6, 8, 10; CINERAMA — Mr. Majestyk 7.15, 9.30; DEKEL — Odessa File 7.15, 9.30; ESTHER — The Klansman; GAT — Crazy Sex; GORDON — The Pedestrian; CHEN — Juggernaut; DRIVE-IN CINEMA — The Beggar Prince (5.00) La Planete Sauvage (7.15) Let the Good Times Roll (9.15); HOD — The Taking of Pelham One Two Three; MAXIM — The Seduction; PEER — O Lucky Man! 6.00, 9.00; ORLY — A Warm December; RAMAT AVIV — Il n'y a pas de Fumée sans feu 7.15, 9.30; TCHELET — Casablanca; LIMOR — L'Amour de pluie; OPHIR — The Man who loved Cat Dancing; MOGRABI — The Odessa File 4.30, 7.00, 9.30; TEL AVIV — Paolo Il Caldo; STUDIO — Murder on the Orient Express 4.30, 7.00, 9.30; PARIS — L'Amour d'apres-midi 10, 12, 2, 4, 7.15, 9.30; ZAFON — Stavisky.

HAIFA
AMPHITHEATRE — Tough Guys; ARMON — Badge 373; ATZMON — Deux Hommes dans la ville; BEIT ROTHSCHILD — Take the Money and Run Tues. 6.45, 9.00, Mon. Wed. 6.45, Focus Sun. 9.15, Le Peau et les os Thurs. 8.45; CHEN — Juggernaut; MIRON — The Conspiracy; MORIAH — The Last Chance; ORAH — Venial Sin; ORDAN — Quiet Flows the Don; ORION — Sensualita; ORLY — Avanti 6.30, 9.00; PEER — Sleeper; RON— Lady Ice; SHAVIT — Three into Two Won't Go 6.45, 9.00.

RAMAT GAN
ARMON — American Graffiti 4.00, 7.15, 9.30; HADAR — Le Mouton enrage; LILI — "Sleuth"; Tarzan and His Fate Mats. at 4.00; ORDEA — The Bridge on the River Kwai 6.30, 9.15; OASIS — Thunderbolt and Lightfoot 4, 7.15, 9.30; RAMA — Swedish Fly Girls 7.15, 9.30; RAMAT GAN — Verdict 7.15, 9.30.

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TIFERET — Newman's Law 7, 9; DAVID — Paper Moon 7, 9.15.

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A DULL MARKET

Jerusalem Post Reporter

AVIV. — Profit taking marked market yesterday. Stock trad- olume was slow, with a slight in prices. Bond prices rose ly.

erall bond trading was 243,000. Stock transactions to- IL2,289,000, with IL1,222,500 variables.

ong the most active were Bank alim Bearer, which gave up to close at 281 on a turnover of 164,000. Bank Leumi dropped 1½ points and ended at 240; volume was 92,000.

Delek shares closed at 140, down seven. Volume was 20,000. Land evelopment closed at 99 after giving up 2½ points on a volume of 31,000. Leumi Investment, trading 57,000, backed up three points and closed at 192. Naphta and Lapidot did not trade, but their quoted prices, respectively, were 174 (down nine) and 499 (down 27).

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ectric Corp. A	r	160	159.9
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INDEX			
ipal & Interest)			
1965, Index 120.1	b	429	428
m 1968, Series #1	b	177	177
m 1969, Series #1	b	136.5	135.5
NCIAL BANKS			
SHEHOLDING			
PANIES			
Hityashvut	r	211	212
pref.	r	281	281
Bankholding	r	188	188
Bank	r	—	316
unt Bank "A"	r	421	420
d Mizrahi Bank	b	168.5	167
Hapoalim—10%	b	292	292
Leumi "A"		240	241.5
GAGE BANKS			
Mortgage Bank	b	280	282
el Mortg. & Inv.	b	199.5	197
Mortg. Bank	b	248	248
ing Mortg. Bank	b	183	185
ot 8%	b	227.5	230
ot	b	285.5	288
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Dev. Bank 8%	r	68.5	68
	r	338	341
ah Insurance	b	223	222
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MERCIAL			
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ITIES			
r House	b	71	71
r C.	r	133	133.5
Storage—IL10	r	141	140
l Electric Corp.	r	143	141
terage & Supply	r	133	133
D, BUILDING			
ELOPMENT			
CITIES			
im	r	115	117
n (Dev. IL10	r	209	209
land Dev.	b	99	101.5
Solel Bonah—10%	b	—	108
Property & Build.	r	167	169
Israel	b	100	100
Mehadrin	r	160	160
I.C.P. Inv. Citrus	r	90	90
Anglo-Isr. Investor	b	187.5	187.5
Neot Aviv	r	72.5	73.5
Pri Or Ltd.	r	147	151
Rassco—9%	r	76.5	77
Rassco—O.	r	52.5	53.5
INDUSTRIAL			
Alliance—B	r	410	422
Elco—2.5	b	89	89
Electra—5	r	131	131
"Argaman"—8%	b	166	176
"Ata"—C	r	76.5	78
Dubek	b	320	333
Elect. Wire & Cable	b	130.5	141
Teva		1155	1199
Chem. & Phosphates	r	122	123
Lewin Epstein	b	71	71.5
Moller Textile	r	181.5	181.5
Phoenicia—9%	b	66.5	66.5
Paper Mills	r	315.5	316
Assis "B"	r	169.5	184
Nechushtan	b	510	525
Elite (A)	r	187	188
Shemen—8%	b	104	104
"Tasi" Plywood	b	110	110.5
INVESTMENT & HOLDING COMPANIES			
Elgar	b	80.5	80.5
Ellern	b	140	140
Israel Central Trade	r	142.5	150
Bank Hapoalim	b	249	250
Paz	b	93.5	93.5
Wolfson IL10	b	65.5	66
Azrapa	r	102	104
Discount Bank	b	152	153
United Mizrahi	b	139	141
Bank Leumi	r	192	195
Piryon Investment	r	66	85
Hassuta-For. Trade	r	80	82
Export Bank	b	63.5	62
Clal Investment	r	200	200
Clal Industries	r	120	120
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Naphta OTC	r	174	183
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Israel diamond industry optimistic despite world gem market gloom

By J. VOET
Special to The Jerusalem Post

ISRAEL DIAMOND EXPORTS again reached record heights in 1974. Turnover in both volume and value surpassed that reached a year ago, albeit by only by 1 per cent. Considering the gloomy mood persisting today in most customer countries, this is rather astonishing.

Despite all this, it would be a mistake to believe that everything went smoothly last year in Israel's most important export industry.

A look at export figures over the past four years by quarterly periods clearly shows the fluctuation in Israel's gem sales.

Total Net Diamond Exports in millions of dollars

	1971	1972	1973	1974
Jan./March	62.1	89.7	132.9	139.4
April/June	64.4	84.1	156.4	152.0
July/Sept.	61.4	98.0	165.5	123.7
Oct./Dec.	77.3	113.9	102.0	147.1
Total for year	265.2	385.7	556.8	562.2
Change	+31%	+45%	+44%	+1%

The strong upward trend in Israel's diamond exports came to an abrupt halt in the last quarter of 1973. The principal cause was, of course, the October war, but the begininng of a recession in the U.S., Europe and especially the Far East was already a contributing factor as well. The first two quarters of 1974 saw a recovery to about 1973's high levels, but during the third quarter sales slumped again. Exports during the October-December period were also high, and in the end 1974 was as good as 1973.

An analysis of the sales by countries shows a slight improvement of the exports to the principal market—the U.S. and Canada—from $140.8m. in 1973 to $148.3m. last year. In contrast, sales to the Far East—Japan and Singapore—dropped sharply, from $76.3m. to $58.6m. Japan's deteriorating economy was the main cause, but none the less Japanese import statistics show that other diamond producers suffered even more severe setbacks than Israel. Sales in Europe were also lower than they were the year before. $55.9m. as against $63.7m. for Germany, England, France and Italy together. More and more exports are being channelled to the so-called transit countries, where diamonds are often bought not for use within the buyer country but for re-export to countries which for various reasons, do not buy directly from the principal producers — Israel, Belgium or India. Exports in 1974 to the transit countries — Belgium, Holland, Switzerland and Hong Kong — totalled $200m. or more than 35 per cent of all of Israel's exports.

Imports in 1974 declined substantially from 1973, in volume by 15 per cent, and in value by 9 per cent. This means that the stocks of diamonds in the country have declined also, which can be considered a healthy sign: Under the presently unstable conditions diamond stocks, whether of rough or polished stones, are a risky and interest-consuming asset. The commercial banks' advances to the diamond trade and industry are currently no less than $200m.—no negligible sum, although it represents not more than about 2½ months, imports and exports.

'The Syndicate'

The share in Israeli imports of the London-based Central Selling Organization increased from just over a third of all imports in 1973 to more than 40 per cent last year. This organization, usually called "the Syndicate," remains the most important stabilizing factor in an otherwise very volatile industry.

With regard to the important added value factor: The share of smaller stones in the total production is again on the increase, just over 20 per cent, an estimated net dollar income to the Israel economy of no less than $120m. The diamond industry thus remains the country's most important dollar earner.

Diamond industry leaders seem to be moderately optimistic about the future despite the gloomy mood in many of the world gem markets. They say that, due to the recent devaluation of the Israel pound and the current weakness of the American dollar, Israel has improved its position compared with its principal competitors, Belgium and India. In these countries diamond production was recently stopped for extended periods. But since unemployment in Israel's diamond industry still affects only about 7 per cent of the available workers, it can still be said to be not serious.

Competition is increasing from Russian polishing plants, however, especially in the Japanese market. The present trend among buyers towards popular-priced stones and against the expensive bigger diamonds favours Israel's industry, which has long been the most important supplier of small brilliants, or melees.

No sharp price fluctuations are foreseen in the coming year, although the Syndicate, which kept prices unchanged in 1974, last week raised its prices from 2 to 10 per cent, about 7 per cent on the average. The prices were probably raised to offset the recent weakness of the dollar. The volume turnover forecast for 1975 is about the same as last year but the turnover in values may be lower since cheaper stones will be more in demand.

Nearly full employment is expected, with an improvement of trading facilities as soon as the addition to the Ramat Gan exchange is completed.

Social workers score multiplicity of welfare organizations

By LEA LEVAVI
Jerusalem Post Reporter

"I WANT to ask a question. In a democratic state, can't a group which really cares about a problem do something about it even if the political establishment resists change?"

"No," chorused many of the several hundred social workers in the audience.

According to the programme, this was a discussion group on "reorganization of government ministries providing social welfare services." It was one of three group meetings going on simultaneously during last Tuesday's morning session of the Social Workers' Union Convention. The convention, held last Monday evening and Tuesday at Beth Hahayal in Tel Aviv, attracted about 1,800 social workers (out of the union's total membership of 2,400). *Most of them had to be accommodated* in one of the three discussion groups and as a result the groups were too large for discussion in the true sense of the word.

However, there was debate — often heated, despite the good manners — among those who succeeded in getting their few minutes at the microphone.

What made things more complicated was that the problem proved multi-faceted. Should welfare, education, health and related services be organized into one super-ministry? Aside from the political difficulties involved, would this really solve the problem?

"I'm not worried about the politicians," Batya Menthal, director of the Tel Aviv-Jaffa Municipal Welfare Department, said. "But I can warn the government that the present system is robbing us of thousands of potential soldiers and workers, not to mention millions or maybe billions of pounds. In my day-to-day work, I find that 30 different organizations deal with one juvenile delinquent or high-school drop-out. What is the result? Nothing. These teen-agers would amount to something if only we did a better job of handling their problems."

Local problem

"But that's a problem for the local authorities and not for the government level," a social worker from a small town in Galilee protested. "If the local welfare department and education department coordinate their efforts, you won't have 30 people working with one client."

Other participants claimed this was not the problem at all. The difficulty, some said, was that social work, and particularly the welfare office, has a stigma attached to it. Something must be done to make it respectable to go to a social worker, even for those of means.

Even the schools of social work in the universities came in for their share of attack. "They don't train their students to roll up their sleeves and work hard in the field. All the university graduates want nice, easy clinical jobs with convenient working hours and high pay."

"I've interviewed scores of university graduates and the first question they ask me is 'What grade will I start at?' — not 'What work will I do?'"

"And why not?" more than one social worker called out from the audience. "What kind of idealism do you expect? They don't live in outer space."

"And not only that. Salary is a matter of status."

"It's fine to sit here and discuss reorganization, or the need for a super-ministry or what's wrong or right with the current system," one Welfare Ministry official said. "But what is each of us going to do tomorrow when the convention is over and we are back at our desks? We all agree that there are things to be changed at the top. We also *realize that there are political impediments* to making as many and as drastic changes as some here have advocated. But I think we have to deal with more basic questions. For instance, how does the worker treat his client? In my research, I have seen that in too many cases people are told to come back next week when they really need to talk to someone right now. Some workers look down on their clients or don't take a sufficiently personal interest in their problems — maybe because the case-load is too large, perhaps because the workers training wasn't as good as it should have been, or maybe some workers aren't suited to the profession..."

Violence condemned

An umbrella ministry of social services was the subject of one of the resolutions passed by the conventions. However, the majority of the resolutions were devoted to problems of professional status, wages and working conditions and the need to train and employ professional social workers in place of the many non-professionals now in the field. The union also demanded that a law be enacted defining the work of the social worker and establishing licensing procedures to control professional practice. In the wake of violence in welfare offices, a a resolution condemning violence against social workers, and promising to work for their protection, was passed.

The union asks that the government give top priority to social problems and not cut budgets in this field. At the same time, better working conditions were demanded for the social workers who, in the words of the resolution, "are in the front ranks of the fight for social betterment."

Yitzhak Kadman, a graduate of the Hebrew University School of Social Work and a social worker at the Ministry of Welfare in Jerusalem, was elected secretary-general of the union in place of Ora Openheim. Members of the 61-member Centre and 21-member Secretariat were also elected from among the convention delegates.

ALL STREET

Closing Tuesday, January 21, 1975

Market prices mixed

W YORK (AP). — The stock ket was mixed yesterday, yield- most of a broad early gain in of some seemingly bullish s of easier money and cooling in- on.

e Dow Jones average of 30 in- rials, up about five points at outset, was off five points half hour before the close.

ainers held onto a 8 to 5 edge losers on the New York Stock hange. But the margin had dwindled from as much as 3 to 1 earlier.

After Monday's close, the Federal Reserve reduced the amount of reserves it requires its member commercial banks to keep against cheque account deposits, in a move to stimulate the economy.

And yesterday morning the U.S. Government reported that consumer prices had risen in December at their slowest pace since last July.

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Union Bank declares 30% stock dividend

By AARON SITTNER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Union Bank of Israel yesterday declared a 30 per cent stock dividend, accompanied by a 7 per cent cash dividend. The latter follows a five per cent payout last September, bringing the total cash dividends paid for 1974 to 12 per cent.

A bank spokesman told *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday that 1974 pretax earnings hit IL24.1m. — an increase of 120 per cent over the 1973 figure. After tax income was IL6.4m. compared with IL4.4m. in 1973.

The bank's aggregate shares (capital plus reserves) rose from IL36m. to IL42m. last year, with total balance sheet rising by 56 per cent — from IL1,700m. to IL2,770m.

Earnings per share were 80 per cent, and 58 per cent after assuming full dilution (shareholders' taking advantage of conversion rights on their convertible debentures).

Average price-to-earnings ratio for the year was four to one.

Union Bank's main business activities were in securities transactions and foreign trade, notably diamonds.

Current slump 'healthy,' lingerie firm's owner says

By ARTHUR KEMELMAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — A FIVE-DAY WEEK and a respite from workers' demands at Lahav, manufacturers of women's, men's and children's wear, were among the results of the present slump in business, according to Mr. Yaakov Lahav, owner of the firm.

During a tour of the Lahav factory in Bet Shemesh last week, Mr. Lahav said that he had orders only for the next six months. This was in contrast to more prosperous times when a year's production was generally sold by the first of the year.

Mr. Lahav further noted that inventory on hand amounts to six to eight months' production, worth about IL50,000. Previous years' inventory never amounted to more than IL25,000. The drop in sales, he said, is characteristic of both the local and foreign markets to which he sells. Sales on the local market are down 30 per cent. Despite increased costs, Lahav has not raised its prices.

A similar situation exists on the export market. Mr. Lahav claimed that his products are being sold at 1974 prices and even these prices are 15 per cent more than foreign buyers are prepared to pay. "Foreign buyers are nervous about what the future holds. They are unwilling to commit themselves to any long range arrangements," he felt.

Shirts which fetched $5.00 from foreign buyers last year can only be sold this year at $4.00. Production of the shirt cost $4.50. His exports in 1974 amounted to $1,200,000, a decrease of $350,000 from the previous year. He hoped that in 1975 exports would not drop further. At present, export orders came to $750,000.

The Bet Shemesh factory is one of five Lahav factories in Israel employing some 800 workers. Mr. Lahav said the problems of the textile and clothing sector of the economy will be solved, not only by an increase in government export incentives, but by an increase in worker productivity. "It is absurd that an Israeli textile worker should receive approximately the same salary as his European counterpart, but produce 40 to 50 per cent less," he declared.

Mr. Adolph Schmeidler, owner of Lingerie Frine, in Jerusalem's Talpiot Industrial Area, manufactures lingerie for export only. Lingerie Frine is one of nine factories owned by Mr. Schmeidler, an Italian Jew. The others are located in Switzerland and Italy.

Mr. Schmeidler said that despite reports of a decline in textile and clothing industry, he has managed to expand his production. In 1974, exports amounted to $1,100,000. This represented a $50,000 increase over 1973, the war year. Mr. Schmeidler expects exports to rise to $1,500,000.

There had been a decline in demand but not a drastic one, Mr. Schmeidler noted. He was less affected than other Israeli producers since most of his production went to the larger European stores such as Marks and Spencers of England or Galeries Lafayette in Paris.

The preceding years, Mr. Schmeidler explained, had been characterized by over-expansion. Manufacturers had not carefully planned either their production or their opening of new plants but had ridden a wave of prosperity which seemed to have no end in sight. The present decline, he said, was essentially a healthy phenomenon that would help stabilize a market that had been expanding too rapidly.

Both Mr. Lahav and Mr. Schmeidler will be leading participants in this year's Tel Aviv Fashion Week scheduled to open at the Tel Aviv Hilton on February 10. Eighty Israeli producers will take part in the week's events.

More exported to Australia

TEL AVIV. — Israel's exports to Australia increased by 30 per cent in 1974, totalling $20m., according to initial data. In the same year Israel imported from Australia goods worth $10m. The figures were announced on Monday at a reception given by the Israel-Australia Chamber of Commerce in honour of the Australian Ambassador, Mr. Rawdon Dalrymple.

About half of Israel's exports to Australia are diamonds, with chemicals, textiles, tyres and other manufactured goods making up the other half. Australia ships to Israel sugar, wheat, meat, and building material.

Ambassador Dalrymple noted that Australia has had to raise its import levies because of inflation, but he expressed the hope that trade with Israel would not suffer as a result. He announced that Australia's first permanent commercial attaché in Israel, John Holmes, will arrive here in February. *(Itim)*

British Stocks

PRICES RISE

LONDON (AP). — Prices rose yesterday on the London stock market, with some leading shares posting their best gains in months.

Near the close the financial times industrial index had climbed 7.6 points to 177.00, its largest one-day increase since last October.

Trading was active with few sellers in sight. The rally was attributed by one dealer to trends in the U.S. towards lower interest rates.

Government bonds rose in all sectors. Banks also gained.

BRIDGE — GEORGE LEVINREW

How would you rule?

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◇ K J 7 5
♣ A 3

West
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♡ A 10 9 7 4
◇ 3
♣ K 9 6 5 4 2

East (D)
♠ 9 7 3
♡ Q J 8 6
◇ 10 9 8 2
♣ Q 7

South
♠ Q 10
♡ K 5 3 2
◇ A Q 6 4
♣ J 10 8

The bidding:

East	South	West	North
Pass	Pass	Pass	2 ♠
Pass	3 ◇	Dble	ReDble
3 ♡	Dble	All Pass	

ONE OF THE PROBLEMS resulting from the great complexity of conventions is the danger of forgetting or misunderstanding.

Today's deal was played in the Abba Khoushy Cup tournament for teams of four in Haifa. The development of the bidding which certainly seems peculiar at first glance resulted from misunderstanding. West meant his double for take out to clubs or hearts. North asked East what the double meant. East was confused and said that it indicated strength in diamonds. He gave this interpretation in good faith. East did not know what to do so he ran from the redouble to 3 ♡ as the least evil.

Did he at any time recognize that his interpretation of the take out double was a mistake? If so should he have called the director and corrected his explanation? With the information that had been given South naturally landed on the 3 ♡ bid with a double. The 3 ♡ contract was made. North-South protested the board, but the protest was not allowed since the incorrect information was given in good faith.

My questions are these: Was North-South damaged as a result of the information or did they use poor bidding judgment? If they were damaged should there have been a redress? Did East-West gain as a result of inadvertently giving wrong information or as a result of poor bidding judgment by North-South? If the latter should the score be allowed to stand? Incidentally in the replay North-South bid and made 6 ♠. If there were some redress in the opinion of the appeals committee can it be assumed that the protest pair would have reached 6 ♠? What would then be a fair adjudication? The decision of the appeals committee was a two to one vote not to accept the protest. How would you rule?

BRIDGE CALENDAR
Coming Events

Adler Cup Tournament for Teams of Four will take place in Jerusalem at the Diplomat Hotel on Friday and Saturday February 7 and 8. The starting time is Friday the 7th at 4:30.

Results

Correction: The Jerusalem season opener for pairs was won by Elsinger-Harden with Gilinsky-Raz in second place and not as announced last week.

An innovation has been introduced in the Bermuda Bowl Tournament for the World Championship now taking place in Bermuda. A bidding screen is placed diagonally across the card table and an official announces two bids when they have been made on one side of the screen. The bidding is also made silently through the use of bidding boxes with printed cards. After the bidding is over the screen is removed and the play proceeds normally.

The bridge world has been agitated by the introduction of bidding screens as an anti-cheating measure and to prevent "character assassination by innuendo." It is presumed that experienced partnership may be able to make inferences from the manners shown by partners during bidding and play, and may take unfair advantage of such information. Those opposed to bidding screens are unhappy by the inferred lack of trust and the lessening of the personal contacts.

Bidding screens have been tried with approval by the players in top level tournaments in the United States. Reports on its value in the World Championship are being awaited with a good deal of interest.

Weekly Duplicate Games, 8.00 p.m.
Ashkelon — Monday, Thursday: Museum.
Beersheba. — Monday, Thursday: Beit Ha'am.
Haifa. — City: Monday, Thursday, Beit Hagefen. Central Carmel: Sunday, Wednesday: Beit Rothschild. Neve Sha'anan: Tuesday: Beit Abba Khoushi.
Herzliya B — Tuesday: Hotel Sharon.
Jerusalem — Wednesday: Diplomat Hotel.
Kiryat Haim — Tuesday: Beit Nagler.
Kiryat Tivon — Sunday: Beit Hahistadrut.
Netanya — Monday: Oriy Hotel. Thursday: Wizo Hall.
Pardess Hana — Sunday: Wizo.
Rehovot — Monday: Masonic Hall.
Savyon — Sunday: Avia Hotel.
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SADAT'S CONDITIONS

FOR THE second time in a week Egyptian President Anwar Sadat has warned that agreement for a second-stage Israeli withdrawal must be reached within three months.

In an interview published yesterday in "Le Monde," Sadat repeated what he told the Beirut paper "An-Nahar" a week ago, namely that Israel must agree to withdraw not only in Sinai but also on the Syrian and Jordanian fronts. He stipulated the three-month limit and warned that in the absence of such withdrawals Egypt would demand reconvening the Geneva conference where the choices would be sharply poised — a general settlement or war.

After Sadat first voiced his three-month, three-front warning there were those in Washington who tried to dismiss it as bargaining rhetoric. But now, as if to dispel any such doubts, he repeated it. Moreover he went a step further stating that while Israel should withdraw from Abu Rodeis and the Mitla and Gidi passes, there is nothing that Egypt is prepared to offer in return.

There can be no clearer statement of Sadat's salami tactics, to take whatever territory he can get — which he calls a sacred duty — for nothing.

That yesterday's interview was laced with professions of peace for the end of days and criticism of the Soviet Union may make the package palatable for susceptible Frenchmen, but it cannot conceal the implacable core of Sadat's position.

Moreover the fact that Egypt is now receiving Western arms, bankrolled by Saudi Arabia's King Faisal, and Soviet arms, through Algeria and perhaps Syria as well, is no doubt more pertinent than Sadat's verbal darts at Moscow for withholding arms. The example of the Yom Kippur War, which was also preceded by displays of Egypt impatience with Moscow, is still too vivid to make Sadat's present protestations credible.

The real question, therefore, is whether Sadat, whatever the reasons, has not virtually foreclosed the options for any sort of negotiations. If the aim of a second-stage agreement is simply to hand over more territory to Egypt and improve its strategic position, without concessions that would ensure movement toward peace and away from war, there is certainly no good reason for Israel to enter such a trap.

It would seem that the time has come for some clear reminders to Sadat that he too has something to fear from the red flags he waves—Geneva and war. If, as he professes, he is genuinely interested in avoiding war and reaching agreement, he will have to be willing to give as well as get.

Dry Bones

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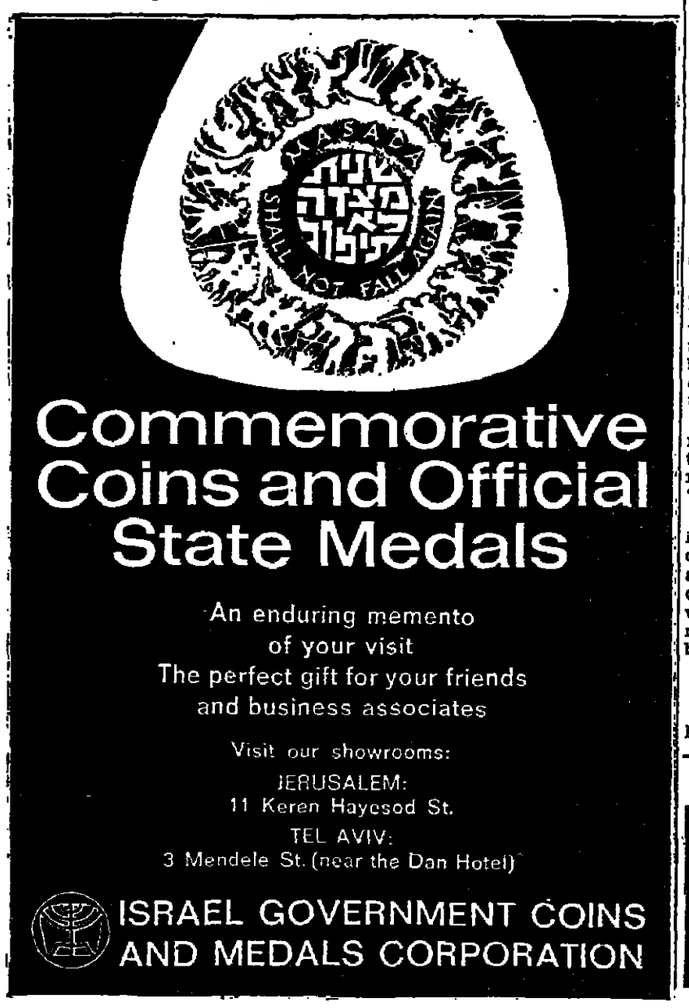
Vat: discriminatory or not?

Davar (Histadrut) says it is difficult to understand why the Finance Ministry has proposed, and the Ministerial Economic Committee approved, a Vat which would apply uniformally to all products and services irrespectively. "While it is true that a uniform tax is easier to collect, to impose the same rates on, say, bread and speedboats alike blatantly discriminates against the lower income brackets." The solution — to restore higher subsidies on basic commodities — would come only three months after these same subsidies were reduced, and it is obvious that a few months later they would have to be reduced all over again.

Furthermore, says the paper, without a complex and extensive system of accounting — something which has not been provided for — the new tax will be as easy to evade as income tax now is. The paper therefore says that, urgency notwithstanding, the matter of the Vat should have been given more thought.

Ha'aretz (Independent) on the other hand feels that if properly collected, the Vat is particularly well-suited to the needs of a developed industrial economy. Its value lies in the very fact that it is non-discriminatory and avoids the economic pitfalls inherent in any tax which prefers some groups, goods or service over others, thus artificially altering their relative value.



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WITH PREJUDICE — ALEX BERLYNE

Dotty ideas of 'a dirty old man'

WANT TO SEE some feelthy pictures? Try a tour of the art galleries.

Avner Katz's current show features a painting of a pair of nude females gazing happily at each other while "a plumber's suction cup lies prominently beside them, inert but prescient, leaving us to guess darkly as to its last method of employment." Shmuel Bar-Even is exhibiting sculptures of "breasts and vulvae;" Zvi Milshtein has done some erotic postage stamps (self-adhesive, I hope); Kurt Goebels specialises in drawings of "male genitalia;" while Joshua Neustein's work includes the "squashed carcasses of dogs."

You'll fare no better at the theatre. Habimah's "Wedding" has an old man befouling himself onstage and the Sadan Theatre's "Prisoner 00" stars a hero who sleeps in a urinal.

The bookshops are crammed with offerings such as "Deep Throat" (oral sex), "The Happy Hooker" (prostitution) and "The Story of O" (bondage) and the cinemas are giving a cram course in sexual aberration in such films as "Clockwork Orange" (sadism), "Last Tango in Paris" (sodomy) and "Souffle au Coeur (incest)."

It was the "Lady Chatterley" trial *(Regina v. Penguin Books Ltd.)* which opened the floodgates in 1960, resulting in the avalanche of smut which now overwhelms us. A procession of high-minded witnesses, and literary critics, testified for the defence, most of them claiming that D.H. Lawrence's novel "uplifted," "redeemed" or "purified" them. It remained for Mr. Andrew Shonfeld, Professor G. Wilson Knight, Mr. Eliseo Vivas and Mr. John Sparrow (in his famous "Encounter" article) to demonstrate, unhappily after the trial was over, that "Lady Chatterley" contains an outrageous scene of anal perversion which seemed to have escaped the attention of the defence. In short, Mellors the gamekeeper had committed buggery, a crime punishable by life imprisonment, on Lady C. as well as on his own wife. Anal penetration can be an extremely painful experience, as the old homosexual joke has it: "Rectum? I nearly killed 'em."

Gushing prose

What compounds the crime, to my way of thinking, is that Lawrence describes it in gushing prose reminiscent of Elinor Glyn: "Burning out the shame, the deepest, oldest shame, in the most secret places... The same on Greek vases... She would have thought a woman would have died of shame." Lady C.'s husband was more matter of fact about it, referring to the "the Italian way" while Duncan Evans, another character in the book, lapses into the vernacular calling it love "all ends up." So much for uplift, redemption and purification.

The body of Lawrence's work is characterised by the endless repetition of a few lunatic ideas. He hated women, whose role he saw as "glorifying the male blood" and seems to have been physically afraid of them, constantly referring to them grinding away "down there" with their "beaks" (He must have known some funny women. Frieda Lawrence had, in fact, horrified her first husband on their wedding night by stripping naked and climbing up over the door, intending to fall into his arms — something after the fashion of "Old Mrs. Mulligan" in "The Ball of Kerriemuir").

Yet he was capable of violent behaviour to women both in real life and in his stories. When George Orwell, one of his admirers, first read "The White Stocking," he wrote: "I deduced the moral that women behave better if they get a sock on the jaw occasionally."

In "The White Peacock," "Women in Love," "Aaron's Rod," and "The Plumed Serpent," the reader will recognise practically the same scene of nude men bathing or wrestling together, while in "Women in Love" Birkin repeats the anal intercourse scene from "Lady Chatterley," justifying it with more of the same purple prose about the anus being "the deepest life source."

Lawrence's dotty ideas about physiology include the "dark rays which pass between the abdomens of fathers and sons" and "vertebral telegraphy" (the ability to transmit messages with the spine). He recommended corporal punishment: "spanking acts direct on the spinal nervous system" and proclaimed that no sexual pleasure can match "the clutching throb of gratification as the knife strikes in." The voice of the authentic fascist can be heard in his dogma: "My great religion is a belief in the blood, the flesh, as being wiser than the intellect." Men should renounce "the weary habit of talking and having feelings."

According to D.H. Lawrence the sun is really dark. Its brightness is merely a reflection of emanations from living plants and animals. In "The Plumed Serpent" he suggests that Bolsheviks are all born near railways, while in "Lady Loverley's Chatter," or whatever it's called, Mellors looks forward to the day when people will occupy themselves with folk-dancing, stool carving and wearing red trousers. "If men had fine, red legs that alone would change them in a month."

Pervert's plight

As you may have gathered, I don't think much of Lawrence's ideas. He is in fact limited by the classical plight of the pervert. He must proselytize in order to enlist others into his "scenario" so that they can be what Tweedledee termed "only a sort of thing in his dream." This reduces the content of his work to a boring and distasteful tract.

His prose isn't anything to write home about, except when it's characterised by an urgent vitality. Most of it is more suited to a Mills and Boon romantic novel than Great Literature and in "Lady Chatterley's Lover" chunks of it are taken from the graffiti on lavatory walls. Sometimes, even public lavatory officialese creeps in as when Mellors "stood a few moments adjusting his own clothing."

Anthony Powell wrote a rather cruel sequel to "Chatterley" in a 1966 issue of "Vogue". His protagonist is a man checking on Mellors who, many years later, has applied for a job abroad. Lady Chatterley, emitting a fragance of wood violet perfume, has some difficulty in remembering the gamekeeper — "He never seemed, somehow, very happy here" — but then she recalls "there was some vague question of his getting married again — to someone younger than himself and in a rather different walk of life. It would not have been particularly suitable." There is a particularly wry twist in the story when she tells the interviewer that Mellors is "not a strong man" and then assures him "Oh yes. Sir Clifford is absolutely all right now."

In the big, wide world outside English Letters, the ghost of Mellors still walks. A recent issue of "Paris Match" reported the marriage of Jady Jane Sutcliffe to her gamekeeper. The chatelaine of Glassenbury Park, near Maidstone, comes of a long line of eccentric aristocrats. One of them, Lady Jane Trench, haunts the house, having fallen out of a tree on her wedding night. Another was in love with Napoleon's horse, Jaffa, and had his remains buried in the grounds, bringing flowers to the grave every day.

Our Jane didn't fancy the gamekeeper, Barry Edmonston, at first but then he put his arms round her while giving her shooting lessons and "something happened inside both of us." Among their wedding presents were a number of anonymous gifts — copies of "Lady Chatterley's Lover."

Even in his birthplace, Eastwood, Nottinghamshire, D.H. Lawrence is still stirring things up 44 years after his death. The villagers have recently been up in arms about the development committee's proposal to call a new street "Chatterley Mews." Housing Committee chairman Miss Margaret Coe told the Press "As far as that book is concerned, Lawrence was a dirty old man."

READERS' LETTERS

Putting Israel's case in the U.K.

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I am pleased to note that, in his article of December 26, David Lennon recognizes that the activities organized by the Labour Friends of Israel have been a notable success in the task of putting Israel's case in the British Labour movement.

Your readers probably do not realize that just a staff of two, my secretary and myself, run these activities. While our adversaries are spending bottomless buckets of petro-dollars in the propaganda war, the Labour Friends of Israel have to depend on an ever dwindling budget donated by a small number of Jews and non-Jews in this country.

There are thousands more to be reached in the British Labour Party, trade unions and co-operative movement. They have not yet heard of "the rights of the Israelis."

I hope that supporters of Israel in the U.K. will enable our work to continue and to expand, for, unless a substantial sum of money soon comes forward, the Arab League will no longer have reason to be annoyed with our activities, they will be laughing at their demise.

MARTIN COHEN
General Secretary
Labour Friends of Israel

London, January 2.

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1974 could have been worse

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I myself tend to take a dark view of events, but I object to Philip Gillon's TV review, "What a year" (January 3). After all, we did not have a war in 1974, missiles did not fall on our cities, our houses are still standing. Notwithstanding their own problems, the Americans continued to give us money, arms and political support. And with all its shortcomings, the Israeli economy did not collapse.

These are just a few examples. In my opinion, it is an illusion to believe that 1974 could not have been worse, or that next year could not be worse for that matter; we must admit that 1974, while not a good year, could have brought worse calamities upon us.

ERNST LIVNEH

Jerusalem, January 4.

PRE-EMPTIVE STRIKES

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Dr. Henry Kissinger apparently believes that "no responsible Israeli leader would urge a pre-emptive strike" (December 23).

As a pro-Israeli Gentile, I claim Dr. Kissinger is wrong. The victory in '67 was due to a pre-emptive strike by Zahal. The devastation wrought upon Zahal in '73 was due to a failure to initiate a pre-emptive strike.

Many Arab students, though not all, who come to this country to study, express their desire that all Israelis be killed. This is no light matter and we should be realistic.

In my opinion, the Israeli Government should serve notice on the Arab world that Arab mobilization means a pre-emptive strike by Zahal. Survival can mean offending those whose necks don't stand to be wrung.

NICHOLAS FREDERICKS

Portland, Oregon, December 30.

DETENTE POLITICS

By JOSEPH KRAFT

WASHINGTON.— HENRY KISSINGER isn't exactly glad the Russians repudiated the 1972 trade agreement, but he is using the occasion to play a little detente politics. He is fingering Sen. Henry Jackson in a way designed to put the whole Congress on the defensive in foreign policy.

Dr. Kissinger clearly wanted Russia to accept the terms stipulated in the new Trade Bill. That would have made it easier to nail down the Vladivostok understanding on arms control in a formal agreement which could be signed at a triumphant summit meeting in the United States this spring.

Long shadow

But though disappointed, Dr. Kissinger takes a relaxed view of the Soviet decision to go back on the trade accord. He does not believe it casts a long shadow over arms control or other features of detente. Neither does he believe that Mr. Brezhnev is mortally ill. Still less that there is an all-out leadership struggle going on in the Kremlin between good guys and bad guys.

His view is that, since Mr. Brezhnev is not so young, there is some inevitable jostling among possible replacements. He assumes that, if only for opportunist reasons, some of the candidates try to curry favour with party cadres by taking positions adverse to the detente line espoused by the Party's General Secretary. But Dr. Kissinger believes that the opposition is largely tactical. He points out that Mr. Brezhnev took a hard line in ousting Nikita Khrushchev and then reverted to detente. He recalls that Mr. Khrushchev took a hard line in heading off Georgi Malenkov, and then also came out for peaceful cooperation.

So the U.S. Secretary of State seems to feel as secure about the future of cooperation with Russia as he ever feels about anything. Secure enough, in fact, to play a little domestic politics with the issue.

Dr. Kissinger's purpose emerges clearly from the long, carefully prepared statement he read in announcing the Soviet decision to abrogate the trade agreement. The statement concentrated entirely on the amendment, identified with Sen. Jackson and his Jewish supporters, which made freer emigration from Russia a condition of the trade bill.

SEN. HENRY JACKSON — "The Kissinger tactic is to blame the failure of the Trade Bill on Sen. Jackson and his Amendment."

The statement set out in elaborate and painful detail the steps Russia would have to take to comply with the Jackson Amendment. It spoke of "assurances" from Russia to the United States, and hinted they would have to be delivered in the form of "written reports." The clear implication was that the Russians rejected the Trade Bill only because of the Jackson Amendment, and that Mr. Brezhnev would have been a craven coward to accept the amendment.

In fact, there are lots of bargaining reasons for the Russian behaviour. The Russians are in a far better position to deal now than they were in 1972. While the American economy has gone downhill, the Russian economy has imp ed. The price of gold and oth other commodities they export risen. The food deficit has bee led by purchases—at concessio terms—in the United States.

The Russians still have 400m. lars in credits granted by the port-Import Bank at very att ive terms which they haven't dr down.

Moreover, another provision another bill—sponsored not by Jackson but by Sen. A Stevenson of Illinois—limits amount the Russians can bo from the Ex-Im Bank without c gressional approval to 300m. dol over the next four years. By bri ing the accord now, the Russ lose little, but they cancel their ob ation to pay off the wartime L Lease debt.

The Kissinger tactic is to ig all those considerations the b to blame the failure of the t pact entirely on Sen. Jackson his Amendment. That narrow f serves to make it seem that great problem in American for policy—the big obstacle to det —is meddling by ambitious leg tors pandering to minority inte at home in order to advance P dential hopes. The Congress is softened up for a further gran Dr. Kissinger of the wide nego ing freedom he enjoyed under sident Nixon.

Unambitious

The trouble with that tactic that it will not work. The push a larger Congressional role in for affairs goes way beyond Jackson and the issue of Soviet gration. Behind it are men as and unambitious as Sen. Steven It involves Vietnam, Cyp the Middle East and many o issues.

In other words, the Cong intends to play a larger in foreign policy decisions for be or worse. Sophistical attempts crowd the congress out will not for the better.

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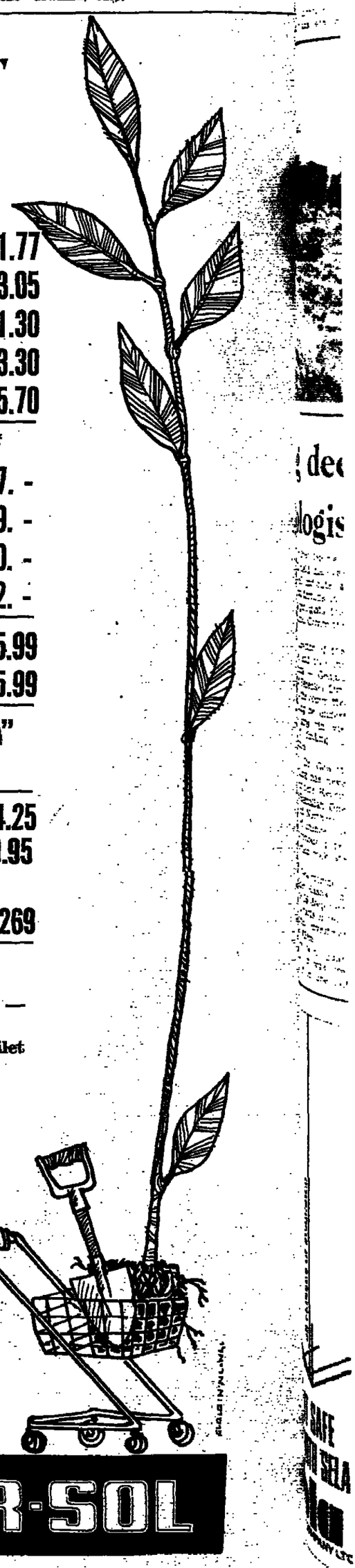

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